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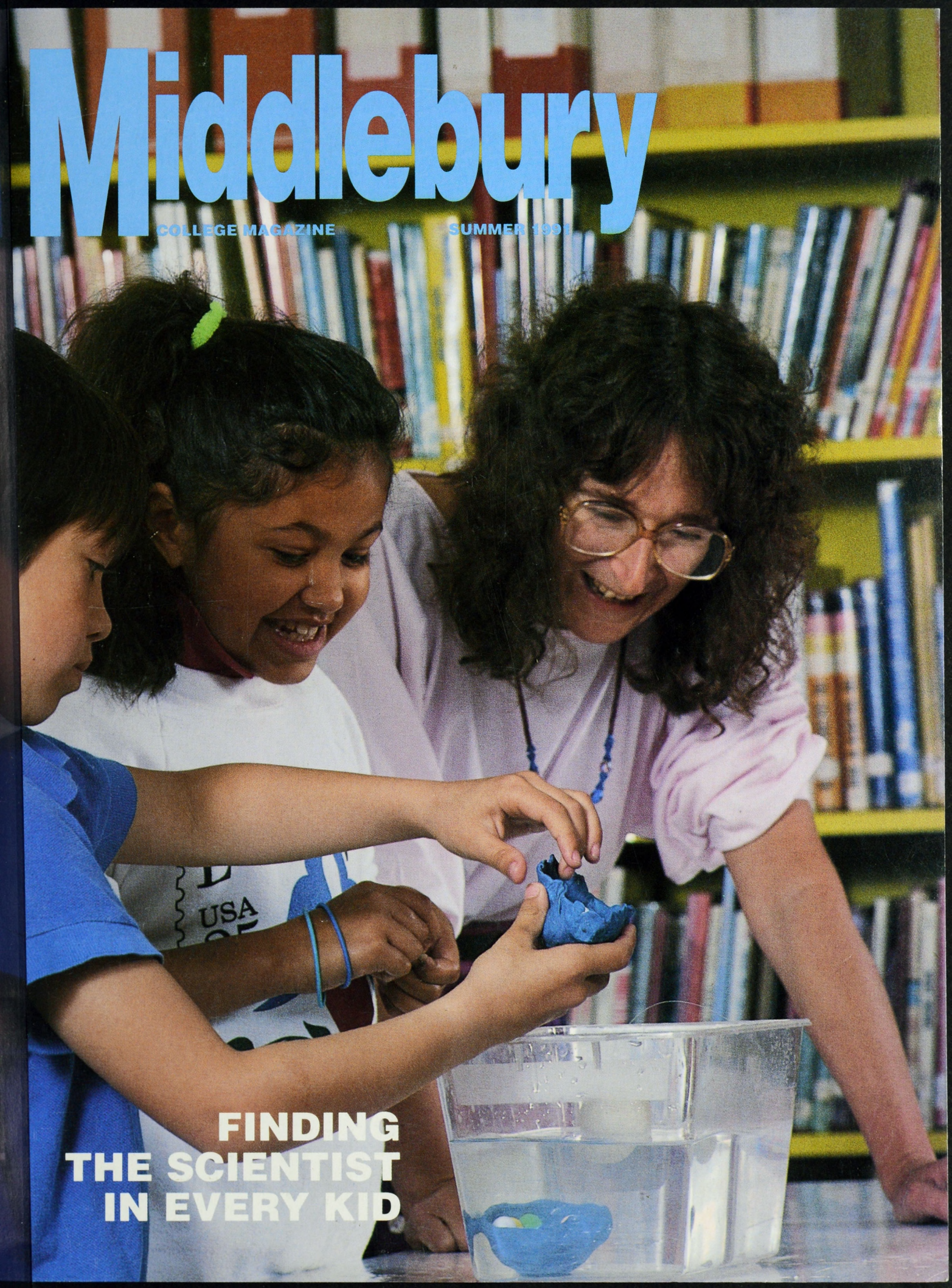

FINDING THE SCIENTIST IN EVERY KID

The Long Goodbye

Reunion Weekend was a busy one for Fred Neuberger '50, who retired this spring as dean of admissions after working for the College for 40 years *(see the Spring 1991 issue)*. On Thursday evening, May 30, a couple of hundred of Fred's friends and admirers gathered at Bread Loaf for a "surprise" retirement party. The crowd included many of those who have worked with Fred over the years in admissions at Middlebury; classmates; family; colleagues in the admissions dodge; and even most of the members of the morning discussion group at the Weybridge Garage, at which Fred has been a participant for some years. Fred was toasted, and roasted, and received some lovely parting gifts — including a set of golf clubs and a golf cart. **At left, above:** Fred with one of the evening's speakers, longtime co-worker Eleanor Collins, who is also retiring this year. **At left, below:** Carolyn Leggett Perine '73, an associate director of admissions, gets a thank-you kiss after presenting the portrait of Fred that will hang in Emma Willard House. **Top photo:** Fred was also honored at the Reunion Convocation on Saturday, June 1, this time with the Middlebury College Alumni Association's Alumni Plaque Award, the MCAA's highest honor for service to Middlebury.

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This spring, we've had to say goodbye a few too many times

It's been a season of farewells at Middlebury. As spring turned to summer, the College was saying so long to several longtime employees who picked this year to retire — Fred Neuberger '50, dean of admissions; Eleanor Collins, Fred's longtime assistant; Jim Ross '51, the College's business manager; Simon Barenbaum, who has taught French at the College for many years; Cap Potter, the anchor, since the 1950's, of Middlebury's theatre department.

Also leaving this summer are Maggie O'Brien, professor of chemistry and dean of the faculty, who heads for Virginia to become the eighth president of Hollins College, and her husband, Jim Grube, who has been Middlebury's head lacrosse coach for about a dozen years. Our congratulations to Maggie, whose accomplishments as a teacher, researcher and administrator at Middlebury will be long remembered. It says something about those accomplishments that she was chosen from among more than a hundred candidates for the Hollins job. Jim, whose name is on the short list of the country's best lacrosse coaches, remains head of the NCAA's lacrosse rules committee, and will, we're certain, be back in the coaching business before long. We wish both of them the best of luck. While they're both being succeeded by extremely capable folks (Carol Rifelj, a professor of French, will become dean of the faculty, and assistant coach Erin Quinn '86 will be the new head lacrosse coach), they will certainly be missed.

Unfortunately, the College also had to say goodbye, in May, to 17 staff members, whose jobs were eliminated in an effort to close a $2.8 million budget deficit. All were friends or acquaintainces, and we feel uncomfortable singling out one of them. But if your main contact with the College comes through this magazine, as is the case for many alumni, the person you'll miss first is Max Petersen, who had worked in public affairs at the College for 28 years, most recently as director of sports information. Among Max's many jobs was the preparation of the sports news for the magazine. Max produced so much copy for each issue that we were rarely able to use more than half of it. But it was all there — the stats, the records, the team and individual honors earned. No one knew more about sports at Middlebury — and, probably, about Middlebury College in general. At the magazine, we thank him for many years of hard work on our behalf, and yours. We'll miss him.

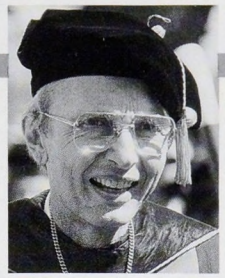
Maggie O'Brien and Jim Grube, who will be heading to Virginia this summer.

Finally, and most tragically, Middlebury this spring had to deal with the loss of a student, sophomore Matt Slautterback. Matt's death on May 9, two days after he was seriously injured in a skateboarding accident, came as a blow to the entire College community. Our sympathy goes out to his family, who rushed to Vermont from California to be with Matt on the day he was injured, and to all those at the College — and there were many — who were close to him.

A clarification

In an item in the Spring issue on faculty members who had been granted tenure, we reported that one of them, Clara Yu of the Chinese department, was also a poet. After reading that, Yu wrote us, saying she does write poetry, and her poems will soon be published. But she doesn't feel comfortable being called a poet, a title she feels must be earned over time. Fair enough.

— *Tim Etchells '74*



The sweet songs of the sirens

By Timothy Light

This essay is adapted from the Baccalaureate Address that President Light gave to the Class of '91 on May 25, the day before this year's Commencement.

Most of us here do a lot of reading. I mean real reading, not just assignments. Think of that, real reading is the only reading that you will do from now on. Real reading is reading for pleasure, reading for that instruction and elevation of the mind and soul that no one else orders, but that we feel constantly that we need. Real reading is also reading for escape. I'm not sure often which books are pleasurable for their escape value and which are instructional. Recently, I think I've learned quite a bit about life from mysteries filled with intrigue. Those books that are doomed with the frightening handle of "classic" turn out more often than not to be filled with tales that are pretty hard to put down or forget. With summer coming on and with it the happy prospect of a few connected hours of reading, I feel pushed by the anticipation of excitement in stories of new lives and calmed by the prospect of learning from everyone's tale ever more penetrating interpretations of the lives that we live together now.

'I think I was drawn back to the *Odyssey* because for us who are children of the Western tradition, Ulysses' tortuous voyage home to Ithaca is *our* story. It is the *first* of our stories, and, far more than we realize, it tells us much of who we are.'

Gore Vidal's historical fiction is a particular favorite for me, especially his American series which gives legendary and mythic human flesh and spirit to the events of our common past. Most particularly, Vidal's *Lincoln* gives a grippingly haunting portrait of this peculiar man who, with all of his massive flaws and strangeness, defines us as a people more than any other individual in our history. And our own Jay Parini's *The Last Station* with its gnawing account of Tolstoy's final year as seen through the eyes and voices of members of his contentious family. Parini's Tolstoy and his disciples plunge headlong towards absolutes of idealism which are the precursors of the rigid ideologies which have cast so long a shadow over our century. Reading at the end of this century about this torn giant at the end of the last century, one has the glimmering of a sense of why our world has so eagerly defined itself along lines of competing ideals which have too swiftly turned into weapons of control and warfare.

Like a lot of people, I turn to mysteries and thrillers for the most complete escape. Agatha Christie, Len Deighton, Robert Ludlum, John Dickson Carr, Rex Stout, and a host of others are companions for sleepless nights and those times when there is no energy to read anything more elevating. In recent years, the extraordinary mysteries of Tony Hillerman and his Navajo Police Force in the American Southwest have both thrilled as mysteries should and reaffirmed the nobility of human life and courage reflected in the most disregarded and abused of our fellow citizens.

In the past couple of months my escape reading has been to reread the *Odyssey*. That may be because the *Odyssey* is a story of a man attempting to get home. But also, Homer's tale is just good adventure. Ulysses' adventures and struggles are quite as exciting as anything that James Bond or Tom Clancy's heroes undergo. And, filled with gods, goddesses and miracles as they may be, Homer's episodes really make no greater demands on credulity than do Clancy's jockeyed submarines or Ian Fleming's magical automobiles.

Mostly, however, I think I was drawn back to the *Odyssey* because for us who are children of the Western tradition, Ulysses' tortuous voyage home to Ithaca is *our* story. It is the *first* of our stories, and, far more than we realize, it tells us much of who we are. We are a people who talk of life as a *journey*, of work as a *career path*, who discuss our organizations in terms of *directions in which they are going*, and who measure success by whether or not we have *reached our destination*. Our vocabulary is so replete with metaphors of travel to describe the more significant of our actions that we do not even think of them as related to travel anymore. Our *goal orientation*, our worry about *deviating from the stated road*, our celebration of efficiency in *getting there faster than expected*, our praise for the individual who *operates at top speed* — all of these metaphors are us.

The shape of Ulysses' journey is us, too. It is not a straight-shot governed by cruise control along a smooth super highway.

The home to which Ulysses strives to return has been invaded by greedy men who have seen the opportunity to have it all without expending effort and without exercising the care and judgment and responsibility which are the minimal requisites of those who ask for the right to lead others and who expect to have access to greater resources. Claiming that Ulysses must be dead, these raiders demand that Ulysses' wife Penelope marry one of them, thereby bestowing on that lucky one Ulysses' possessions and the rule of his kingdom. No great celebration awaits this warrior when he returns home. His last and most decisive battle will be to regain that home once he finally gets there.

The getting there is beset by all the perils which our ancestral imagination had as its nightmares. The Cyclops threatens to devour him. The witch goddess Circe captures him and turns his men into pigs. The nymph goddess Calypso seduces him, and he indeed lives with her until he can bring himself to insist that his ultimate goal of returning to his home, returning to himself, is finally more important than remaining in a casual paradise where his desires are fully met and where he has the prospect of being made an immortal. He and some of his men even journey into Hades and return. His ship is wrecked and his crew lost. In the end he is able to return to his home in Ithaca to fight to win that home back only through the generosity of the Phaecians, on whose shores he has been wrecked. Even though they know of his fame, they are chiefly moved by his current helplessness as a derelict, and they return him home almost in the way they would an invalid.

Ulysses' voyage reflects that dark journey of the soul, that sojourn in the wilderness, that contending with both adverse circumstances and the deliberate forces of opposition that are understood by our culture to be the necessary prerequisites to any meaningful and worthy success in life. We at Middlebury have had a wonderful year in athletics; Athletic Director Tom Lawson says it was one of the best ever. As we celebrate those achievements, think of how we describe them. We talk of the strenuous period of training with its deprivations, of the precarious nature of many of our victories and of the dark periods in contests when we are uncertain of our ability to prevail. And we frequently refer to the close victory assured by a last-second goal or by the preservation of a slim lead as *being saved*. Indeed, the epic terms of *odyssey* and *saga* are frequently employed to talk about the competitive lives of our athletic heroes and heroines.

Deep down in our culture, that is what we think life is. We prepare ourselves for travels marked by struggles and victories — and sometimes by defeats. We interpret our darkest times as the hells that

TAX-WISE GIFTS

BY JANE BRYANT QUINN '60

Gifts for art's sake

Last winter, I promised you were through with me. After five years of pelting you with tax-smart ideas for giving money to Middlebury, I thought it was time to give you (and me) a rest.

So I retired, I thought.

Then along came the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990, better known as "the new tax law." Buried in its fine print is such a neat tip that I couldn't resist passing it along.

It affects gifts of tangible personal property. That's property you can touch, like paintings, original prints, furniture, jewelry, antiques, cars, boats, sculpture, books, manuscripts, coins and so on.

If you make Middlebury such a gift *in calendar year 1991*, you'll receive the maximum charitable deduction. If you put it off until 1992, your deduction may shrink (depending on whether this tax break is extended). So these next six months are an obvious window of opportunity. Gifts made now will really count.

Most likely, your tangible personal property appreciated greatly in the 1980s. The huge rise in prices was great for collectors. But it was hard on institutions like Middlebury that couldn't afford many of the items it needed for teaching purposes, especially in the arts. Generous gifts from alumni and friends helped take up the slack. But with our splendid new Arts Center nearing completion, more needs to be done.

To earn the maximum tax deduction, the property you donate must relate specifically to Middlebury's educational mission. How do you know if your concert grand is eligible for the full deduction or if, in fact, the College even needs a piano? Just call Mike Schoenfeld, director of Development, at 802/388-3711, ext. 5181. He knows what meets the government's "related-use" criteria. He's also your contact with the committee that reviews proposed donations. Tip: Yes, we do need a concert grand, and some practice pianos, too. Not to mention paintings and sculptures. But no, we don't need an old couch with sagging springs. We have plenty of those already.

When your gift is accepted, you get a charitable tax deduction for the property's full market value. You get this deduction even if you're subject to the alternative minimum tax, which hasn't been the case in recent years. And, of course, you pay no long-term capital gains tax, no gift tax and no sales commissions.

So think about it. Maybe you're moving to a smaller place and have surplus furniture and paintings. Maybe you inherited an antique whose period goes badly with your decor. Maybe you've been wanting to give something to Middlebury but haven't had the ready cash.

This year, in particular, the College needs help with its Arts Center and newly-renovated Student Center. Come see them. You'll love them.

Remember how beautiful Middlebury is in the summer and fall? It's all the more wonderful to walk the campus, knowing that you've made a lasting contribution to the students of today and tomorrow.

One of the nation's top reporters on personal finance, Jane Bryant Quinn writes columns for Newsweek *and* Woman's Day *and her twice-weekly column for the* Washington Post *is syndicated to more than 250 newspapers. She is the author of* Everyone's Money Book, *published by Delacorte Press.*

we must traverse and from which we eventually emerge with renewed life and greater strength.

Homer's Ulysses fights against all the forces that contrary gods can cast in his path. But each battle is just as much a struggle with himself as with outside forces. Nowhere is this more prominently demonstrated than in the tale of the Sirens. A very brief passage in a very long work, the episode of the Sirens has nevertheless become as well known a tale as anything in the Greek classics. It is certainly a fitting one for our time, and it is interesting what the word *siren* has come to mean to us. We live in an age of sirens. If you dwell on the route to the hospital as we do, you learn that modern technology has been applied with particular effectiveness to sirens. Our modern life is dubiously graced not only by those formal sirens of police and emergency vehicles and building alarms, but also by all manner of demonic devices that rudely claim our attention just when we should be concentrating on what is at hand. Nowadays comic relief for a gathering such as this Baccalaureate Service is inevitably found in the insistent beeper and the pocket cellular telephone. When the offending instrument erupts during prayers at church, one sometimes wonders if that can be counted as instant service.

Ulysses' Sirens, of course were technology-free. As he prepares to leave Circe's island, she warns him of the floating rocks Scylla and Charybdis, which may crush his ship and which give our language its interesting idiom of being caught between a rock and a hard place. On the same passage, Circe tells Ulysses, he will hear the sweetest singing there ever was. That will be the voices of the Sirens, who sit in a green field and entice sailors to wreck on the rocks just below them. To protect his men, his ship and himself, Ulysses is told to put wax in the ears of his crew and have himself tied to the mast so that he can hear the wondrous song but not respond to it.

Homer does not tell us what the Sirens sing of, only that they enchant people to drive willingly to their own destruction. I cannot recall a time in my life when there were more seductive songs which realistically only promised destruction than there have been in the past decade or so.

There clearly isn't time to talk of all these seductive songs — or even a significant proportion of them. I would like to mention one which has been sung mostly among colleges and universities in the past few years, but it has analogues in many areas of society. This song concerns what we shall consider as basic to teach our young about the human world in which they live. One extreme version holds that the only proper general education that we should expect of all should be grounded in our classical heritage, by which is principally meant acquaintance with major works from the Greco-Roman tradition, matched to some degree by those from the Hebrew tradition. An opposite extreme version holds that cultural education should be governed by a principle of uniform amounts of attention to the claimed background of each ethnic group that chooses so to identify itself.

Each extreme is erroneous. The very debate is itself fundamentally false. No society can long endure without a widely accepted set of cultural traditions which define that society and which identify each of the members of that society with the whole and their place in it. At the same time, no major culture draws its tradition from a single source. Over the course of time, each of the world's major cultural traditions has borrowed and absorbed from others. In human history, there is no such thing as purity. Everything is mixed.

Think for a moment about the Greek tradition from which the Odyssey derives. As I look around the Chapel, I see very few people who could be considered descendants of Ulysses or Homer, or Plato, or Aristotle. When the great works of our Classics were being composed, the ancestors of most in this room — including myself — were living in caves in Northern Europe. Later on, our ancestors sacked Rome and one of the things that they most rapidly and eagerly dispensed with was the Roman preservation of the great works of Greek literature, philosophy and science.

Much later on, our ancestors held a protracted series of wars with another Mediterranean people, the Arabs, over control of Palestine. It was through the Arabs that they first learned of the bulk of our Greek heritage. It was also through the Arabs that our ancestors learned of Indian mathematics. Without

Arabic preservation and transmission of Greek and Indian learning, we would not have Western philosophy, or mathematics, or science. Without our Arab teachers, we would not have had the scientific revolution nor the industrial revolution. It is withal that we recall and celebrate our debt to Arabic civilization, particularly at this time in our history when we as a nation have been guilty of Arab-bashing.

What is our Western heritage, and who is the we that we speak of? We do not truly descend from those whom we claim as our cultural forebears. Is it not that we make choices of who our cultural ancestors will be? We remake those choices with each generation, and as a new a major influence comes on us, we choose to include more than we previously had. In former times, our influences principally came from people outside our acquaintance who moved into our sphere. In our own time, we have suddenly discovered different peoples long amongst us whose traditions have gone unacknowledged, but whose prominence demands that we choose together a renewed common heritage.

I began discussing the tale of Ulysses' journey by referring to it as the first of our stories. It is indeed that, and I do not believe that one can belong to this American branch of Western society without participating (at least in an unconscious way) in the patterns of life which are interpreted through the struggles that Ulysses undergoes. At the same time, however, I do not believe that at the end of the 20th century one can grasp the full implications of that common tale of all of us without simultaneously beginning to learn the stories of some of those whom we have long been living beside but whose contributions we have ignored.

We are one of the world's important Spanish-speaking countries. Yet how many of us speak that language? The remaining oratory in our society is largely to be found among our black fellow citizens. Are we fully aware of that — of the rich tradition of oral poetry and chanting which has been developed in African-American culture over centuries, and which today reflects a marvelous art? What do we know of our Asian-American brothers and sisters other than our stereotype that they excel in school?

The point is not that all deserve uniform time and attention, for to make a crude uniformity the mark of our sense of justice would be to deprive ourselves of the unity that can help us as a country. The point is rather that our unity must be expanded to include far more than it has so that we neither leave whole groups of citizens feeling that they do not belong, nor insist that belonging consists in being dominated.

As I have meditated on Ulysses and the Sirens over the past couple of months, I have been struck by how often the Sirens and the thugs who attempt to take over Ulysses' home seem to become merged in my mind. Whatever Homer's Sirens were really singing, their song promised sweetness but offered only doom. The gangs that were taking over Ulysses' home tried to assure a sweet life for themselves, but at a cost of the destruction of Ulysses' family and the safety of the people whom he governed. The 20th-century Sirens whom I have tried to imagine here today — those who ask for a life full of choices with no consequences, those who assert preformed ideologies to answer complex questions, and those who claim special cultural privilege for themselves at the expense of others — all of these share with the thugs a disregard for responsibility for the whole. All of them share in an assertion of the private self over the commonweal.

Members of the Class of 1991. As you leave this place tomorrow, you will continue an odyssey of which we have been privileged to be a part. I hope and believe that our part of your own journeys has been devoted to illustrating through education the dangers of succumbing to the easy songs of the sirens. I hope and believe that the liberal arts education you have been exposed to has equipped you with the confidence of mind and steadiness of spirit that will enable you to sail on the more difficult but ultimately straighter course that goes by the seductive ease promised by the multiplying sirens of our time. As you leave this place, you go with the highest confidence of your teachers here that you will chart steady and creative courses, and that, in the not too distant future, we will be following you.

Congratulations. God bless you all.

Thank you.

LETTERS

On political correctness, staff reductions, and DKE

The Middlebury College Magazine *welcomes letters from readers on the contents of the magazine or on topics related to the College. Letters may be edited for conciseness. To be published, letters must be signed, and should be addressed to: The Editor, Middlebury College Magazine, Farrell House, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

Thanks from the Neuberger kids

Editor: On May 30, a group of Middlebury alumni and friends of Middlebury College put on a tremendous surprise retirement party/roast for our father, Fred Neuberger '50. (*See the inside front cover, this issue.*) We would like to thank the dinner committee for putting on an unbelievably good meal, the gift committee for the extremely generous (and well targeted) gifts, the excellent "roasters," and, most importantly, we want to thank everyone who attended the gala event. People flew in from Minnesota, Florida, Denver, Canada and many other places. Fred was surprised, overwhelmed and extremely pleased. Having so many of his friends make the effort to get to the party was the best gift you could have given him.

On June 1, the Middlebury College Alumni Association gave Fred a special commendation (the Alumni Plaque Award) for his 39 years at Middlebury. Again, we would like to thank the people who chose to recognize our father's work at Middlebury College in this public forum. He was very pleased with the award, and the plaque will be a super reminder to him of both the College's and the alumni's appreciation of his efforts on their behalf.

Although we would like to personally thank everyone who participated in these events, this letter will have to do for now. Again, we heartily thank each and every one of you who helped make these two events happen.

KARL, PETER, MARY ALICE
and CHRISTY NEUBERGER

An update from FCF

Thank you, Middlebury alumni, for your enthusiastic responses to "Investing in the future," the article about Funds for the Community's Future that appeared in the Spring '91 issue of the magazine. The many phone calls, letters, and offers of assistance have been extremely helpful as FCF continues its efforts to offer college scholarships to less advantaged high school students through community-based fundraising.

Since January, when the article was written, FCF has grown to eight volunteer staff persons and 29 members on the board of directors and advisory committee. With this group of supporters, FCF recently organized and sponsored its first workshop designed to help students prepare and study for the SAT's. Thanks to the Stanley H. Kaplan Educational Center, Howard University, Jimmie Johnson of the Washington Redskins and Safeway Stores, Inc., the day was a great success. FCF drew 75 people to the workshop on a Saturday afternoon. Feedback from participants and observers has been extremely positive — two attending students expressed interest in volunteering for FCF over the summer, and many parents requested further information about the program.

This summer, FCF will begin to establish the tutorial program and the complete SAT, financial aid and college application workshops in targeted communities. Many young Middlebury alumni have contacted me about tutoring students and helping with the workshops, which is terrific: The more people we can organize, the greater the effect.

Raising funds for college scholarships will be our primary task once nonprofit status, expected this summer, is in hand. Every dollar FCF raises for scholarships will match community-raised dollars, which will encourage community participation while achieving a multiplier effect. The implementation phase will involve working directly with targeted communities, individuals, foundations and businesses to ensure that deserving students have a realistic opportunity to further their education.

The support I have received from my fellow alumni has proven to me once again that the community Middlebury College has created is concerned about a broad range of other communities. I encourage and welcome advice and interest at all times. If you would like more information about FCF, please write to me at 7205 MacArthur Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20816, or call 301/229-3073. Thanks again for the strong support.

DAVID MILNER '90
Bethesda, Md.

Layoffs disturbing

I am deeply disturbed by the recent turn of events at Middlebury: Nearly 20 members of Middlebury's staff were discharged from their positions in the second week of May. In an article in the May 9 issue of *The Campus*, President Light stated, "This has not been done at Middlebury in over 40 years and it's very, very hard. It's agonizing, so the committee that looked at the budget tried to find every other way to solve the problem first."

Just a few years ago, concerned

members of the staff organized Middlebury's Staff Council, a group of extremely bright, thoughtful and dedicated members of the staff who convene to negotiate with a traditionally "tough" administration. Light's committee did not even consult with members of the Staff Council before the devastating announcement was made.

My distress over the situation is that of an alumna of the College, and someone who grew up in the Middlebury area. I had my first summer job at the College when I was 15. By the time I became a student, I knew a lot more of the staff members than most Middlebury students did — they were the parents of my friends from high school, they were friends of my family, they were classmates of mine at MUHS. It positively appalls me that in the midst of multimillion dollar construction to build hideous and extravagant, and perhaps superfluous, structures, people are losing their jobs. In the same issue of *The Campus*, Ron Nief (director of public affairs) said that Middlebury is not the only school dealing with budget constraints by reducing its staff. "Northeastern University has cut its staff by 175 workers, the University of Vermont is letting go 75 to 100, and Yale University is eliminating as many as 50 faculty positions." Fine, I understand. But Middlebury, Vermont, is not Boston, New Haven, or even Burlington. Staff persons who lose their jobs at Middlebury face a local job market that is nearly non-existent. I understand that it is not Middlebury's explicit responsibility to employ every member of the community, but surely it should exhaust all other possibilities, which I am certainly not convinced that it did, and it should certainly handle the situation in a far more caring and informed fashion than it did. This should have included consultation with the more than competent Staff Council.

I realize that President Light has been greeted with a legacy of extravagance that has perhaps led to an untenable financial situation (not to mention successfully ruined the most beautiful college campus in New England), and I sympathize with his efforts to set the College on a more modest course. I would hope that he does indeed find it "agonizing" to imagine 20 people driving home from their jobs for the last time, weaving their way through the chaos of construction, but I cannot fathom why the cuts were conducted in the way they were.

Staff members in the library were notified at 8:35 in the morning, and bodily escorted from the building. They were told that they would have to make appointments to return to clean out their desks. They were also told that they should not speak with their former coworkers and that they should not discuss their dismissal with members of their families who did not live in their homes. One woman, for whom I worked the summer before my freshman year, had worked at the library for nearly 40 years. There is absolutely no reason for treating staff members in such a humiliating and degrading fashion. The whole operation stinks of imported policy — one that is not appropriate or necessary for a community like Middlebury.

I love Middlebury College dearly; it is not only where I spent four of the most wonderful years of my life, but it is also my literal home. I could not be more devoted in spirit. I hate to see it scarred physically by hideous edifices, and I hate to see the community scarred by the events of the past few weeks. Just a month or so ago, I pledged a small amount to the College. I am now retracting that pledge in protest to the recently implemented policies. I understand the irony in this, that Middlebury needs my donations, modest though they are, as much or more than ever, but I will not support an administration, even indirectly, that so obstinately pursues policies that will damage the spirit of the school and the welfare of the larger community.

Surely there has got to be another way.

MEGHAN LASLOCKY '90
Washington, D.C.

I found Middlebury's dismissal of 17 staff members, as described in the May 26 *New York Times*, to be reprehensible. Apparently concerned about its budget and the cost of debt service on newly-constructed buildings, the College decided to trim fat by firing. It hired a so-called "outplacement" firm — no doubt, a costly one — called Challenger, Gray & Christmas.

Coincidentally, my wife just had a similar experience with the same firm when her corporation decided, without warning, to eliminate an entire line of business. She determined that Challenger, Gray & Christmas, as polite as it was, had nothing to offer and found another job. Such firms are hired to do the dirty work of bungling managers while also insulating them from any possible twinge of conscience. These stylized executions are difficult to stomach in the profit-making arena. At a college, they are unacceptable.

In recent years, I contributed to Middlebury. My contributions, though *de minimis* in proportion to Middlebury's budget, were not so in proportion to mine. Why did I contribute? Because of happy memories. Because of a belief that the academic institution, the College community, and the surrounding Vermont landscape have something special to offer. I like to think that I am contributing to a certain spirit — to principles that are incompatible with treating people like instruments in some money-driven scheme. I would rather have seen my entire contribution go toward the salary of the fired 38-year Middlebury veteran than see a small fraction go toward the executioner's fee.

I understand from the *Times* that, although the budget had a deficit, there was not a financial crisis. Middlebury's endowment is over $200 million. There were alternative solutions to the perceived problem.

As Wendell Berry asks in the title essay of a recent book, "What are people for?"

Likewise, what are colleges for?

DAVID J. PERLMAN '75
Philadelphia, Pa.

Enclosed is an article from the May 26, 1991, edition of *The New York Times* concerning the "Gestapo-like tactics" used in laying off 17 Middlebury College employees. As a member of the Class of 1976, I find the methods described to dismiss these people horrendous, insensitive and inexcusable. While such practices are sometimes used to layoff workers at large corporations in the oft-perceived-as-cutthroat business world, despite the "recommendations" of the out-placement service, were they really necessary in the rather non-threatening environment of Middlebury College?

As an alumnus of the College, I was offended to read about such practices in a national newspaper. Until such time when I receive a full and satisfactory explanation, you can be sure I will withhold any future financial contributions to the College. I am encouraging my classmates — many of whom are substantial donors — to do the same.

PETER M. KRISTOPH '76
New York, N.Y.

Work of gay/lesbian alliance applauded

Imagine my surprise at finding a dialogue in the *Middlebury College Magazine* on the issue of gays and lesbians on campus and in the extended family of alumni. I've come to expect the usual letters on fraternities, tenure and the Dalai Lama; the opportunity to discuss a controversial issue of personal importance to me and to hundreds of other readers is a rare treat.

I applaud the work of Jeff Spencer '93 and others to establish the Middlebury Gay-Lesbian-Straight Alliance. Had such an organization been established during my college days, I might have had a chance to save myself from a few years of closeted hell. The stifling insularity of the College community deprived me of an opportunity to know persons with varying sexual orientations (not to mention political perspectives, cultures, and colors). More aggregiously, it helped to keep me from coming to know myself as a gay man. I look back at my years at Midd with gratitude for the intellectual challenges I faced and the friendships I gathered, but I also remember the incredible anguish of being different in an environment where diversity was punished with social isolation.

Middlebury — administration, faculty, students and alumni — has an obligation to build a new college where diversity is celebrated, not denigrated. I share the sentiments expressed by Guy Kettelhack '73 in his article, finding a sense of hope in the efforts of the Alliance to support gay and lesbian students and faculty. Let's hope that this activist spirit grows to include the many communities at Middlebury that have remained silent too long.

TODD AVERY SUMMERS '82
Medford, Mass.

I just wanted to say how heartening it is to learn of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance at Middlebury. Finally!

JOHN HARRIS '72
Los Angeles, Calif.

In '30s, gay students, faculty were respected

I was heartened by the letters of Professor Moss and others (Spring 1991), stating what are my own views on Paul Vaughn's insensitivity and poor taste. Actually, I was away from home when your Winter issue arrived. Otherwise I'd also have written, expressing my reaction to the opinions of one who apparently regards himself as a latter-day Swift while remaining in reality an old-fashioned smart aleck. Incredibly Mr. Vaughn doesn't realize that the devotion of a gay man to his mate is as respectable, fervent and natural as is that of a husband to his wife. Just as amazing is his reference to a menage a trois, implying by indirection that a gay man might willingly seek women as sex objects. The fact is that, for a gay, heterosexual relationships would be abnormal.

Jeffrey Spencer is undoubtedly correct in assuming that the proportion of gay students has increased only in visibility and not in numbers. When I came to Middlebury as a transfer in 1933, I heard many stories about a student the previous year who was so attractive that he had managed to seduce some basically straight males. There were also a number of students who were gay and respected on campus. At least one of these, whom I encountered many years later, became a devout Episcopalian priest. There were several gay men on the faculty and at least two lesbian professors.

During my senior year, a story I wrote won a prize and was published in *The Saxonian*. It was a satire inspired by police mishandling of the famous Lindbergh kidnapping. The chief characters were Mary and her lamb, Eugene. A Proustian allusion indicated that Eugene was homosexually attracted to a certain goat. The significance of this reference was noted by Charlotte Moody, daughter of Middlebury's prexy. Using a gay English instructor as intermediary, she invited me to tea at 3 South Street. The result was a longtime friendship with the Moody family.

As a sequel I might mention an event having nothing to do with the initial reason for this letter. Five years after my graduation Charlotte and I met for cocktails in New York at the Belmont Hotel bar (since torn down). She was in the city to go with Professor Harry Owen to a play called "Father Malachy's Miracle." At 8 o'clock, after seven martinis and no dinner, I saw her into a cab and said: "Be careful, Charlotte, not to stag-

ger down the aisle." She sat up straight and uttered the last words I ever heard from her: "A Moody never staggers; a Moody stalks!"

Charlotte once confided to me: "I've never read *Albertine Disparue*. I'd hate to think there was no Proust left for me to read for the first time." She died prematurely a few years later, not having read all of Proust.

Dr. Moody survived his daughter by a number of years. After the war, he became rector of a church on lower Fifth Avenue. I was living in Greenwich Village at the time, and we used the same barber shop, where occasionally we'd meet and chat about days at Midd — days that I can look back on as happy ones, untarnished by such views as are carried into middle age by bigots like Mr. Vaughn.

JIM FECHHEIMER '34
Glen Head, N.Y.

Paul Vaughn responds

Editors have the inalienable right to keep the tone of their respective magazines in harmony with the majority of their readers without being accused of discrimination. In a previous letter, I satirized the inanity of one alum's complaint that a male/male relationship was not included in this magazine's Class Notes section. As a writer, I am accustomed to all my work being edited, sometimes even by the producer's or editor's wife! I don't whine discrimination. I choose not to live in anger nor do I choose to allow my child to control my adult.

Homophobic? C'mon. Research your prey better than Kitty Kelly. I was a drama major at Middlebury. In 1957, that was tantamount to sleeping with Rock Hudson. As an actor, I work and live in Hollywood where I have been dressed, undressed, made-up, unmade-up, cast, coached, directed and produced by the "gay" community. No lambasting from them, only from a few alumni strangers who have never met me nor know anything about who I am. Almost weekly, I'm acquainted with someone in this town, with whom I have worked, who has died of AIDS, and I'll be happy to match my AIDS donation with any detractor.

Homophobic is a term uttered with the same nastiness as "queer, WASP, nigger and kike." It is meant to decimate anyone who does not agree with the utterer's position. It is an epithet currently being thrown about by those involved in the new language of "political correctness." This term hurled indiscriminately at enough innocent heterosexuals could leave homosexuals without allies when needed.

I also referred to tiny minorities causing changes on "the hill." Many college hills are currently changing. For those who find satire not to their understanding, allow me to clarify. Duke University now teaches "The Muse of Masturbation," "Literary and Critical Theory from the Lesbian Perspective," and that American business is synonymous with crime. Other campuses *require* courses on Third World authors and *require* history of other nations replacing traditional *electives* with the "sole intent of the elimination of Western culture as *automatically* sexist and racist." The quote is from a Deconstructionist professor in the March *Atlantic Monthly*, not from me.

The Deconstruction approach is offered by those unrequited warriors from the '60s who are now coming into academic power on college campuses. Again, from the *Atlantic Monthly*, not a fabrication of mine. One Middlebury professor is quoted: "Now that we have tenure, the hard work of reshaping the universities has begun in earnest."

Why do I contemplate Middlebury's survival if Deconstructionism becomes the game of the decade? Simple. Midd caters to a highly specialized student, which has *nothing to do* with color or gender. Middlebury is not a *first* choice to the vast majority of white students in America, *because* of its location. College records show we lose top students *because* of our remoteness. All my clients have opted for choices other than Middlebury in the last two years.

Alumni treasure the tranquility of changing autumn leaves, but from the 17-year-old perspective, isolation, lack of bright city lights, no single sex fraternities or sororities, an unbelievable wind-chill factor, two seasons (cold and colder), do not attract a huge number of prospective freshmen. Forty percent of our juniors flee Middlebury "confinement" in their junior year. I found this to be an accurate evaluation when I returned recently to teach during a Winter Term.

There is no reason to believe that this Deconstructionist "reshaping" will attract more students of color or alternative sexual orientation to our pristine tundraland. There is no reason to believe that merely because the ethnic make-up of the U.S. is changing, that hordes of new Pilgrims will flock to our beloved ice palace. There is no reason to believe that if we have African-American professors on campus, that black students will automatically follow in great numbers. This is academic, insulated *theory*. Our current attrition rate among black students is slightly better than horrendous.

Approximately 700 black professors are available yearly, and most all are being hired by large urbanized universities. Perhaps with huge salaries, Middlebury can seduce one or two for one or two years, but so far those hired haven't stayed in snowville. Two black Winter Term teachers, who boarded with me at Middlebury, said no way they would stay in that "Jack London" environment on a long-term basis.

There are students of *various* ethnic and sexual orientation currently at Middlebury who are there *expressly* because I, as a college counselor (yes, I have three professions) felt Middlebury could be appropriate for them. Minority students and professors who come to Middlebury, without *false* inducement, should most certainly be welcomed, and I will continue to do my best to find such students, no matter what their color or sex or who accuses me of what.

I find, from my experience, education comes down to finances. Parents are willing to spend $7,000 to send their children to state universities where these new courses *may* be more easily incorporated into a more multi-faceted campus, but for $20,000-plus, parents I meet prefer a first-rate traditional education. None of my accepted clients to Duke, Smith or Reed were allowed to attend those colleges next fall because of the ambience that exists. I accept change as part of my everyday life, but change does not *automatically* mean a better world.

I have enjoyed immensely volunteering for Middlebury for many years, but I have no desire to be made a "cause celebre" in a war of the sexes. After discovering that the response to my letter had been initiated by a phone-to-phone Middlebury gay hotline, I can see no reason to continue, and so, not without a certain sadness, I withdraw my support. It is obvious the administration has decided about which subjects there can be free speech, and thus "political correctness" is established. Unfortunately, McCarthyism returns. One alum can complain, another cannot. Whining is allowed. Satire is not. That's scary.

PAUL VAUGHN '57
Van Nuys, Calif.

Resist the urge to politicize curriculum

I address this letter mostly to the current faculty and students of my College, and much less to its alumni, whose opinions are mostly irrelevant to academic debates, and whose interest in the College's philosophic and moral direction seems at times vicariously self-serving.

I haven't taken an active part in any of these debates for 16 years for the above reasons, and because I have been very busy. I have, however, followed from a distance the College's intellectual and moral progress through turbulent and confusing times and feel a perhaps gratuitous need to weigh in on what I perceive to be the beleaguered side of a critically important debate.

I refer to the tendentious academic discussion about cultural relativism versus "Western" philosophy. This is not an academic debate, it is a political one. Intellectuals with a distinct and radical agenda are attempting, rather successfully it appears, to corrupt the basis of academic and intellectual integrity by overtly politicizing philosophy. Philosophy and religion become not only irrelevant but dangerous when shifted from the clarity of hard-edged academic honesty, or the intensely individual proving ground of a man's soul, to the faddish murkiness of politics. "Liberation theology" and "multicultural relativism" are wrongheaded and antithetical to the church and the university, respectively.

My two most influential professors at Middlebury were an American literature professor who was an ex-Marine infantry officer, and a history professor who was a self-proclaimed Marxist. Both publicly stated their desire to divorce their personal politics from their teaching, and both to some extent succeeded (no mean feat for the latter, since a Marxist historian is a contradiction in terms!). The challenge these teachers posed to their students was to separate their personal biases from their teaching, and their lasting lesson was that this separation was vitally important.

I would submit this same challenge to today's Middlebury students, and would warn them from a temporal distance that today's professors are perhaps less apt to help them in this task. The current overheated debate on what should not even be an issue has made the concept of a politicized university possible, although this stands as a direct challenge to the very basis of learning as embodied in the concept of academic integrity. While in the pedantic vein, I would also challenge teachers and warn students to aggressively eschew jargon. Currently popular terminology is emotionally loaded and comes clattering along with so much "moral" baggage as to be harmful to clear thinking. The aim should always be to clarify rather than obfuscate. I fear the goal of this jargon is to substitute a Pavlovian emotional response for honest intellectual investigation. In any case, English is a rich and subtle enough language not to need code words or phrases.

As I write this, our nation is engaged in a war, and the hollowness of our intellectual, moral and economic adversaries in the East is being graphically demonstrated as their Empire crumbles. Never in recent history have "Western" ideas and philosophy been so clearly at the heart of our nation's political and military resolve. Yet these same values, which so clearly and powerfully motivate most of the world, and are so strongly vindicated in the collapse of their Marxist opposites, are blatantly ignored or angrily attacked in institutions which should know better, and which should have the moral courage to stand in support of them. I ask the current faculty and student body at Middlebury to resist the self-destructive trend toward politicizing the curriculum, to diligently study the "Western" thinkers who underpin our moral judgments, and add as a *soto voce* aside to the students that pride in your philosophic heritage and in your nation is not at all a bad thing.

PHIL WHEELER '75,
Commander, USN
FPO San Francisco, Calif.

On protesting Bush's 'immoral' war

It was with the keenest delight that I attended my son's February graduation. The spectacle of all those grinning kids skiing down the mountain through the brilliant sunshine in their black caps and

gowns was magnificent and unforgettable; for that incandescent moment, I will always be grateful to Middlebury.

I am considerably less grateful to Middlebury for what happened next. At 4:30 that afternoon I attended a reception for the graduates and was treated to a speech, delivered by an elderly and doubtless distinguished professor *(Ed.: Pardon Tillinghast, professor emeritus of history)*, that seemed to me to embody everything that should *not* be said in a commencement address.

The professor's message (which was delivered with reassuringly academic chuckles) seemed to be that most things in life are neither as bad nor as good as most people think. He cited various examples to support this controversial thesis; and issuing a philosophical sigh appropriate to a man of his advanced years, he advised the graduates and their parents that the War in the Gulf was an excellent example of his theory.

I am not as old as the good professor, but I am old enough to have my own opinions on the War in the Gulf. As the father of two children old enough to have died there, I would like to register my intense disagreement with your speaker.

In my view, the War in the Gulf was morally, politically and economically scandalous.

In my view, moreover, it was the responsibility of every thoughtful person, including the professors, the students, the parents and the graduates of Middlebury College, to oppose it with every resource at his or her disposal.

And in my view, a professor whose moral fiber has grown so flaccid as to see in this act of international barbarism (100,000 Iraqis killed by the bombing; an estimated 2 million Kurds turned into refugees; tens, or perhaps hundreds of thousands of Kurds and Shiites killed in the aftermath of the fighting) nothing more than "on the one hand, on the other hand" ought to be handed his slippers and gently retired to the fireside.

I gather that many people on the Middlebury campus take the view that this tragic and misguided war is unpleasant but that it was somehow "inevitable." At the reception following the speech, I heard a number of parents and students sigh heavily and say that "we had no choice."

Permit me to disagree. Forty-seven United States senators, including the chairman of the Senate committees on Foreign Relations and Armed Services, as well as Sen. Leahy of Vermont, voted against the president on this issue, and many of these senators delivered passionate and compelling arguments to support their votes. In addition, an entire battalion of former secretaries of Defense, special assistants to various presidents (including Zbigniew Brzezinski, a former special assistant to President Carter who was a supporter of President Bush) and various other experts, both within and outside the government, provided Congress with elaborate and closely reasoned testimony against military intervention in the Gulf. These people believed that we had *a great deal* of choice about starting this war; many of them provided testimony that seems eerie, so vividly did it predict the political and economic chaos that has been produced by this stupid and barbaric war.

In his riveting book, *The Politics of Rich and Poor*, Republican Kevin Phillips describes the massive transfer of wealth from the poor and working classes to the rich during the Reagan years. He points out, as have many other observers, that this transfer of wealth was and is being accompanied by a gargantuan sell-off of American assets, largely to Japanese interests.

In a particularly chilling passage, Phillips notes that the Japanese are fully aware of the reason for their rise and America's concomitant decline. They refer to it, he tells us, as *imperial overreach*, or the insistence of Washington, "in the face of ebbing resources, to maintain too great a global military role."

George Bush's War in the Gulf, which was opposed by nearly half of the United States Senate and an entire galaxy of distinguished officials, scholars and ordinary citizens, is an example of this imperial overreach. It cost us tens of billions of dollars that ought to have been spent on improving our competitiveness and/or updating our rapidly decaying infrastructure; in addition, by requiring the expenditure of vast sums of tax money on military gadgetry — and perhaps on massive aid to Israel, Kuwait, Iraq and various other allies who were damaged by the war — it will give new life to the recession that is already strangling our country.

When I was a college student some 35 years ago, I attended a lecture by an editor of the then-liberal *New Republic*. The editor's message was simple: Find something to believe in and then go out and fight for it. He told us, in ringing words that I remember to this day, that the most dangerous document in America is not the stolen state secret, but the note from the friend of your father, inviting you to spend a smug and comfortable life as a member of his law firm.

"Make a bonfire of your reputation," the editor told us. "But whatever you do, don't be silenced. And don't waste your beautiful young lives by opting for the safe job, the safe opinions, the safe existence."

As I watched my son and his classmates skiing down that luminous hill, I thought of those triumphant sentiments. I thought that now more than ever, America needs its youth to stand up and fight against cynical and self-serving politicians like George Bush; against our drift toward economic stagnation; and against the environmental and social degradation that seem about to overwhelm our country.

What America does *not* need is yet one more distinguished professor telling them with a complacent chuckle that this evil war is "not as bad as people think."

I write this letter in protest against a commencement address that seemed to me mindless and smug.

I write in the hope that your graduates, if not your professors, will see the world as a place where the duty of moral man is to fight evil.

And of course I write to give public expression to my outrage at George Bush's loathsome, evil and immoral war.

MICHAEL PADNOS
Somerville, Mass.

Editor's note: Michael Padnos, a lawyer, is the father of Theo Padnos '91. We sent a copy of his letter to Professor Emeritus of History Pardon Tillinghast, who prepared this reply:

I've just been sent a copy of Mr. Padnos' infuriated letter about my February graduation speech. He has three counts against me: my advanced age, my moral flaccidity and general mindlessness, and my smugness. About my age: Alas, I am in no position to remedy this one. On my moral flaccidity, Mr. Padnos is in no position to judge. We have never met. As far as smugness goes, I've noticed (over the creaking years) that anyone who feels passionately about any topic whatever is apt to call its opponents smug: Others see things in a somewhat more shadowed light, and the rights and wrongs have not been revealed to us nearly so clearly. Since, in this issue as in most others, I see immense complexities and many points of view held by presumably rational and well-intentioned people, I will of course seem to someone so utterly committed as Mr. Padnos to be weak and immoral. I fear that no evidence I have seen on this war has given me any reason to change my opinion.

Magazine content 'saddening, distasteful'

I recently received and read an unsolicited copy of the Spring 1991 issue of the *Middlebury College Magazine*, sent, I presume, to acquaint me with past affairs and current events at the College.

Aside from the reasoned discourse of Professor Nicholas Clifford ("Faculty Views"), I found a good deal of the content saddening, some portion distasteful and the bulk of the remainder merely a catalogue of the trivial:

— saddening indeed is the trustee-imposed abridgement of freedom of association and the right to personal preferences and privacy as in the case of the fraternities;

— distasteful the paeans to aiding, abetting and encouraging the abnormal. While sodomy (which, beneath the obfuscation, is the issue) has been recognized and at times discreetly tolerated since at least classical times, seldom if ever has it been endorsed or sanctioned in the structure of any society ... or collegium.

Kindly favor me by ensuring that I am not the recipient of any further such mailings ... or other communications, as well.

EDWARD F. REGAN '57
McLean, Va.

Reverse decision on DKE's banishment

I could not believe what I was reading in your Spring issue regarding the dropping of DKE because they refused to comply with coeducational requirements of the trustees. I have rarely heard of anything quite so weird.

It seems to me that this is above and beyond the powers of the trustees. It was an unthinking, and very possibly illegal stand. Before this bomb was dropped, had anyone considered the famous Dartmouth College case, which involves the inviolability of charters? This case was argued by Daniel Webster, and was ruled on by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1819. It has been a very important test case ever since. Basically, it ruled that a charter cannot be abrogated or tampered with by any outside party. I would assume that Delta Kappa Epsilon does have such a document, or basic platform which serves the same purpose, if possibly by a different name.

I find it difficult to believe that Middlebury has stooped to such an action. Men are men, and women are women, and each is glad to be what they are. And do they really want a vanilla pudding mix in everything? Do you also insist on unisex restrooms? If not, why not? It fits right into the pattern. What is happening to our basic rights to be an individual, and not be squeezed into a rigid pattern to fit all?

Must I remind you that frater means brother, and soror means sister? Why can't they exist as such, and not have to climb into bed together? Do brothers and sisters share the same bedrooms in our homes? Not beyond the age of infancy, at least. If the women are so anxious to belong to a fraternal (using the term generically) organization, why not bring back the sororities, which were eliminated in a snit? Or have a system in which certain women students are chosen carefully, and invited to be nonmember "sisters," with none of the formal privileges, or initiation, as was one of my daughters at Colorado State University. Why should the Masons be allowed to have Masons (exclusively male) and a "sister" organization, Eastern Star (female)? And how about the Elks, where the male member of the family is the only *member*. All the rest of the family is allowed to tag along, but it is basically a male secret society.

Until one is initiated into a fraternal organization, he/she does not really know what the basic foundation of any particular one is. And that remains secret information forever, and is not the damned business of anyone else. And is not to be tampered with by someone outside who attempts to make the rules, but does not play the game.

I sincerely hope and pray that this decision will be reversed. I cannot imagine you forcing DKE to sever their ties

with their national organization, or suggest that the national organization submit to your uninformed and truly ridiculous demands. As for me, whoever are the sorehead women who brought this about do not make me proud to be a woman. Are the trustees afraid of their stridence?

JEAN BAILLIE SCAFE '43, Sigma Kappa
Federal Way, Wash.

P.S. When I was an undergraduate, there were two separate colleges ... Middlebury College, and the Women's College. Has this changed? If not, how can a member of one college legally become a full member of a society in another college? Basically, it was not a coeducational college ... we coexisted.

Separate but equal

President Light's article in the current (Spring 1991) magazine I found quite interesting. Good for Midd to admit women over 100 years ago.

But if I recall, I didn't graduate from Middlebury College, but from the Women's College at Middlebury, back in 1943. Sure, we had the same professors, the same campus, classes were integrated, we paid the same fees, but in each class there were two sets of officers, one for the men's college and one for the women's college. Or does my memory fail me?

There were no doubt legal reasons for two colleges, but when did the two become one? I think it was after my time.

ELLEN GUNDERSON WOLFE '43
Beckley, W.Va.

Editor's note: Since the mid-1940's, just a couple of years after Jean Scafe and Ellen Wolfe graduated, there has been only one Middlebury College—for both men and women.

Middlebury victim of a liberal take-over

I have been greatly disturbed by the following occurences, during the past few years, at Middlebury. The physical takeover of the fraternity houses — the discriminatory admissions policy — the abdication of responsibility by the administration in allowing the faculty to formulate/dictate policy (a la Dartmouth) — the emasculation of the fraternities (I have strongly urged the national board of directors of my fraternity to revoke the charter of the Alpha Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho) — and finally, the alumni-be-damned attitude which seems to be prevalent.

All of these events lead me to the conclusion that Middlebury has been completely taken over by left wing liberals and is no longer the College that I knew and loved.

Since liberals need great amounts of money in order to perpetuate themselves and their socialist experiments, I think the best way to get their attention is to stop our annual giving. I have.

V.M. WRIGHT '41
Saint Simons Island, Ga.

Frats will be missed

As I approach the 20th anniversary of my graduation, I feel compelled to write my only letter to this magazine to note how my retrospection now is so very different from what I would have imagined 20 years earlier. Unexpectedly, and I guess sadly, my academic remembrances seem so distant, while my fraternity bonds seem so fresh. I hope this is not a comment on the quality of the four-year academic training versus the three-year fraternity life, because there shouldn't be a comparison.

What does seem to be a valid comment is that very soon, new Middlebury students, after their four-year passage, and looking back 20 years later, might have no firm remembrances of Middlebury at all, with fraternity life gone as I knew it and academia firm perhaps only in its desire to eradicate fraternities. Why this is so, I'll never understand, but will never be bothered because I have my own experience and conviction.

ALBERT E. FIACRE Jr. '72, KDR
West Hartford, Conn.

Censorship by the left

As an alumna and potential parent of a future Middlebury student, I must write to express my dismay about the College's recent socio-political direction as expressed in your publication, in *The Campus*, and in reports I receive from current students. Encouraging the student body to adhere to new rules deemed "politically correct" by the special interest group of the day is unconstitutional and naive.

The current trend by Middlebury to enforce rules about discussion of politics, sexual preference, race and religion amount to nothing more than censorship by the Left. I know Middlebury students who do not want to admit publicly that they are Republicans, because they feel they will be stigmatized. A college should be a place that maintains the free flow of ideas as protected by our Constitution. Everyone is entitled to his own opinion and has the right to express it. One professing a tendency toward heterosexuality should not be brought before a disciplinary council for being "homophobic." Diversity is the spice of life, and if someone is offended by another's views, that is too bad. It is part of growing up. In a recent *Washington Post* article, Charles Krauthammer said, "Offended students may actually be encouraged to learn to respond and debate, rather than sulk and sue, as they are now encouraged to do on campuses throughout the country."

I encourage what may be a silent majority of Middlebury students to speak up. Voice your opinion against new "political correctness" rules. Correcting past injustices by creating, new, more wide-reaching ones is not the solution. The real world is not like the insular society at Club Midd. I work for the federal government and we encourage multicultural diversity, but one does not get ahead because of rules restricting the actions and views of others. You must do a better job than the next guy. Free speech is the key to a free-thinking society and I hope this is what the new administration at Middlebury will seek to promote. After all, isn't that what college is all about?

NOELLE BUJOLD JENSEN '87
Arlington, Va.

Women's Union update

I am writing on behalf of the Women's Union to let you all know of a project we are giving our energies to right now on campus.

Perhaps some of you remember the Women's Union constitution framed in 1977; among the aims of the Union is listed "to work for the establishment of a women's center on campus, with a reading room, for the purpose of broadening women's understanding of themselves and their roles in a male-dominated society."

To our great concern, we must still, 14 years later, admit to the inexcusable lack of a women's center on campus. There is yet no symbol of women's empowerment, no meeting and discussion space for gender issues groups, nowhere for us to get together to organize and consolidate our concerns and energies for the improvement of understanding on this campus.

Perhaps some of the more recent graduates remember Alison Fraker '89, who died, tragically, in a car accident in the spring of her senior year. She had been very active in women's issues and was instrumental in the creation of the Women's Studies major at Middlebury. Her parents made a donation to the College for the establishment of a reading room in her memory. It has come to our attention that, two years later, the Alison Fraker Reading Room does not exist.

In the past few weeks, we have mobilized our forces toward the realization of these goals. The student support has been overwhelming; we are very proud to report that the office of next year's dean of students, Anne Hanson, has been flooded with letters signed by the men and women of Middlebury College. A letter of support has been circulating among the faculty as well. We have presented our proposal to the dean of students office, we have been in close contact with a number of administrators, and we look forward to meeting with President Light in May. We are excited with the hope that the need of the Middlebury community for better communication and stronger voices concerning issues of safety, health and the status of women on campus will soon be recognized.

Our proposal asks for an on-campus house for the establishment of a non-residential women's center. The space will be used for the publication of the feminist literary magazine, *Artemis*, and the Women's Studies newsletter; as a meeting space for discussion groups and gender issues organizations; for Women's Studies faculty offices; for a women's health resource center; and for the Alison Fraker Memorial Reading Room. Our purpose is not exclusionist, nor do we feel that the establishment of a women's center would polarize the campus. It is in the interest of community that we make this proposal. We seek the open expression by which a productive and vital community is sustained; the establishment of a women's center would provide the kind of environment in which men and women will be encouraged to vocalize their feelings and attitudes toward gender relations.

If you are concerned by the lack of such a space on campus, and if you would like to show your support for our campaign, we urge you to get in touch with the administration. We encourage you to contact us with any questions or suggestions; we certainly value your input on this matter. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

MELISSA RYAN and
CYNTHIA STILLINGER
Co-convenors, Middlebury College Women's Union

Credit where credit is due

It was good to read the article about Nancy Spanier '65 (Spring '91), a woman with whom I was closely associated at Middlebury through our mutual interest in dance and theatre, and I'm glad — delighted — to find her reveling in both fields and having such an obvious success.

I would make one small correction to the article. While Nancy did the choreography for one dance number in Stravinksy's "Story of a Soldier" (which she danced with then-freshman — I think — Peter B. Jackson), I, in fact, choreographed the rest of the production and directed it. It was an honors project which I did under the auspices of both the music and theatre departments, with a small orchestra of VSSO members providing the music under the baton of then music chair Dr. Alan Carter. Erie (Volkert) did not direct ... he gave me the grade ... which I suppose is direction of a sort! I also danced the role of the devil in the production.

COURT van ROOTEN '65
Philadelphia, Pa.

AROUND THE HILL

Clark tells graduates to work toward creating community

The Class of '91 needed a little luck this year with Commencement, and they got it. Showers which had swept the campus for most of the weekend held off just long enough to sneak in an outdoor ceremony behind Forest Hall on Sunday, May 26. In fact, the sky brightened so much that it nearly justified the sunglasses that seemed to be part of the uniform of the day for the graduates.

This year's commencement speaker was the Rev. Charles H. Clark, the rector of St. Paul's School in Concord, N.H. Clark, who will retire at the end of the 1991-92 academic year, has served St. Paul's since 1982, after a career in teaching and religious leadership that took him to Southeast Asia and the Philippines, and eventually back to his alma mater, Yale University. Before joining St. Paul's, he was dean of the Berkeley Divinity School at Yale, associate dean of the Yale Divinity School, and director of field education for both schools. He received an honorary doctorate in humane letters.

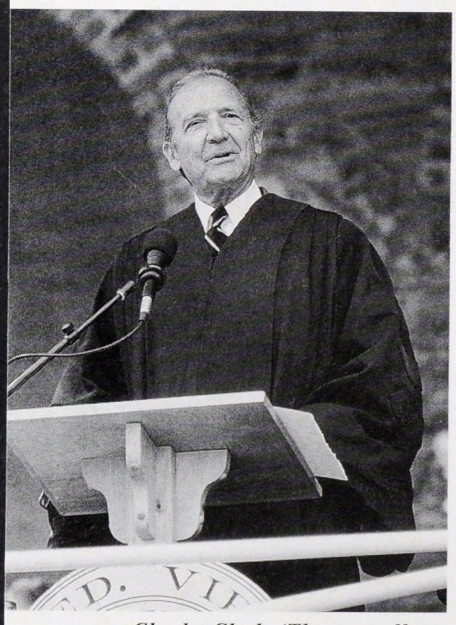
Also presented with honorary degrees at this year's ceremonies were Sabra Harwood Field '57, the ever-popular Vermont artist who recently designed the Vermont Bicentennial stamp that became the U.S. Postal Service's first 29-cent stamp, doctor of arts; Elizabeth Hardwick, an author, critic and one of the founders of the *New York Review of Books*, doctor of letters; and John Noble Wilford, science correspondent and senior writer at the *New York Times*, twice winner of the Pulitzer Prize for national reporting, doctor of science.

In his commencement address, Clark talked of the need for community on college campuses in particular, and in American society in general. "Racial, ethnic, cultural and linguistic differences, coupled with the widening gap between the 'haves' and the 'have-nots' in contemporary American society, pose an insistent and profound challenge to those who want the American dream to unite their fellow citizens," Clark said.

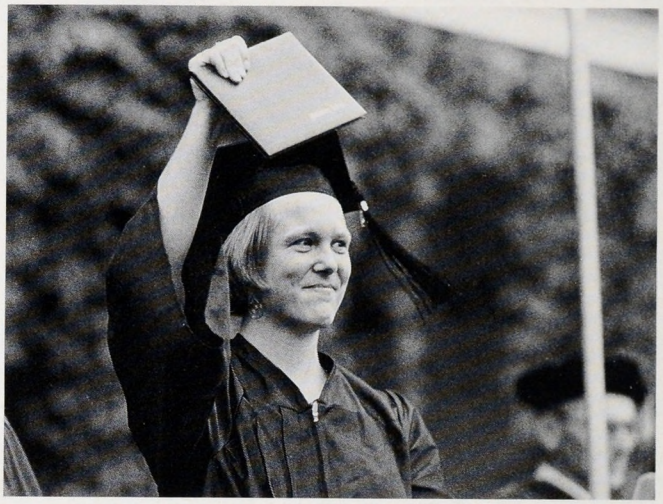
He said he was sure that Middlebury's graduates were not "unaware of the precarious nature of what we call 'community' elsewhere in our republic and, for that matter, amongst the nations and peoples of a troubled world." Clark pointed out that the recent turmoil in India seemed to be "a kind of paradigm of all the factors making for dissolution in the rapidly and radically changing world which is yours to inherit." But he told the graduates he was sure they had "the courage and commitment to confront the forces of social disorder wherever you will find them, at home and abroad. The search for true community is really the age-old search for what Plato called 'justice' and I have no doubt that social justice, which characterizes and promotes a true human community, is something you are willing to struggle for in the time ahead."

He said that "the most effective weapons against the enemies of true community in a just society are those of the spirit and not of the flesh," citing the earliest Christians, "who in the first century of our common era, and with only the weapons of the spirit, inaugurated a movement that gave new meaning to the word 'community' and great power to those who sought it." He also cited the "poet and patriot, Vaclav Havel," now the president of Czechoslovakia, who has said that "man must in some way come to his senses. He must rebel against his role as a helpless cog in the gigantic and enormous machinery hurtling God knows where. He must discover again, within himself, a deeper sense of responsibility toward the world, which means responsibility towards something higher than himself."

Clark said he knew that many of the graduates were apprehensive about the future, "the narrowing horizons for employment in your immediate future. I know that the 1980's and their heady days for fortune hunters are over. ... But there is a place for you somewhere, nay everywhere, that craves the community which you can help to build, a place that has needs which you, the newest graduates of Mid-



Charles Clark: 'The most effective weapons are those of the spirit.'



Katherine La Sota was the last to receive her diploma in May, but the first student ever to graduate as a women's studies major. A double major with dance, she graduated cum laude, with high honors, to a standing ovation.

dlebury College, can meet and serve."

Clark cited the example of the Huguenots of the village of Le Chambon Sur Lignon in southern France, who, during World War II, sheltered 5,000 Jewish refugees and hid them from the authorities. Their story, told in the documentary film *Weapons of the Spirit*, is one "of amazing grace at work in the simple heroism of humble villagers who risked their own lives to save others," Clark said. And he offered, in closing, a Huguenot hymn that serves as a refrain in the film, saying it was "the text and summary of all I really ought to say to the Class of 1991."

Hail beloved mountains, sacred land of our forefathers.

Your green summits reflect their glorious memories.

May the spirit that gave them life inspire their children;

Inspire their children to follow their example.

Budget deficit brings layoffs; staff protests

The process of preparing Middlebury College for the future, which began last fall with a special two-day session on the College's resources for trustees, faculty and administrators *(see the Winter 1991 issue)*, continued in March with a similar set of meetings on issues in higher education.

President Timothy Light determined soon after he arrived on campus that there was a need to prepare a plan for the College's future, considering the College's assets and liabilities, its resources and the challenges it faces in the decade of the '90s. According to all the experts, money problems, coupled with demographic changes in the American population, will put unprecedented pressure on colleges and universities between now and the turn of the century. It has been President Light's goal to come up with a plan that will best enable Middlebury to meet those challenges, without giving up its position as one of the top liberal arts colleges in the country.

Just how serious those challenges are, and how tough it will be to meet them, was brought home — painfully — to the College community this spring, when a burgeoning budget deficit led to the firing of 17 College staff members, some of whom had worked at Middlebury for many years. In addition, 25 other positions were eliminated through attrition — retirement and resignations — and consolidation. At the time of the cuts, the College had about 900 employees — roughly 700 staff and just over 200 faculty members. The cuts did not involve teaching faculty.

The move was made to close $1 million of a $2.8 million gap between estimated expenditures and estimated revenues for the next fiscal year. The rest of the deficit will be made up in areas other than personnel, and those cuts will be felt just about across the board. All of the cutbacks came after a budget and personnel committee, appointed by the president, had spent many months looking at the budget and the College's operation. The members of the committee were David Ginevan, vice president for administration and treasurer; John McCardell, vice president for academics and provost; John Emerson, dean of the College; and Ann Hanson, who had been special assistant to the president and associate dean of the College, and has since been appointed as dean of students.

At the end of April, the committee and the president had informed the Staff Council and the Faculty Long Range Planning Committee of the need to make the cuts, and the president announced the elimination of staff positions in a memo to the entire campus community on May 2.

In his memo, the president said the budget and personnel committee had faced "budget requests that, even after disciplined preparation, exceed projected revenue by $2.8 million. The committee first turned its attention to non-personnel reductions, but has had very reluctantly to conclude that just over a third, or approximately $1 million of the reduction, can be achieved only by a reduction in the overall size of the College staff and that this must be accomplished before the start of the next fiscal year."

The president said that "reaching this recommendation has been agonizing and wrenching for the committee. It has been and is terribly agonizing for me to accept the conclusion that this must be done. I am convinced, however, that there is no choice. While the bulk of the reductions in expenditures are being taken from operations or non-personnel areas, to cut more there would directly affect the quality of the program that we offer."

During a rally to protest layoffs at the College, staff members wore black hoods to symbolize those who had lost their jobs.

A few days before the layoffs, the president held two meetings, open to all members of the community, to explain the cuts. Both meetings, one in Mead Chapel and one in Dana Auditorium, drew large audiences, and plenty of questions, most centering on whether the layoffs really needed to happen, and why the Staff Council wasn't consulted. President Light said that the decision to make the cuts, while painful, seemed to him and to the members of the committee to be unavoidable. He said the College was trying to draw up a plan for financial and academic health for the next decade, and that it was vitally important that that process take place without a deficit hanging over the College's head. He also said that there are times when difficult decisions concerning the welfare of the institution have to be made by the top administrators, without involving the entire campus community, and that this, to him, seemed to be one of those times.

As President Light discovered at those meetings, the cuts were met with surprise and, in some cases, outrage, both on campus and in the larger Middlebury community *(see the "Letters" section, this issue)*. Petitions were circulated on campus calling on the administration to find alternatives to the layoffs.

The College had hired a nationally-known outplacement firm from Chicago — Challenger, Gray and Christmas — to advise it on how to handle the layoffs, and to assist those who had lost their jobs in finding new ones. The firm suggested that there be no notice for those who would be let go, and that the laid-off employees get involved immediately in searching for new jobs. So on May 14, the day that the layoffs took place, supervisors informed those staff members who had lost their jobs, and took them immediately to Hadley Barn, near the golf course, where they were addressed by President Light; introduced to CG&C Vice President Stan Kemmerer, who happens to be a 1965 graduate of Middlebury; and began a series of meetings with

Several hundred people gathered for the protest rally.

outplacement advisors.

The employees were told that they would continue to receive their pay and benefits — for up to a year, if necessary — as long as they used the services of the outplacement firm in seeking work. The outplacement consultants suggested that the workers not return to their workplaces (except by appointment, after hours, to clean out their desks), not talk to their former coworkers, and basically cut their ties to Middlebury and their old jobs as quickly as possible, concentrating instead on finding new jobs.

President Light spent much of that day visiting the various departments at the College, explaining what had happened and why, as did members of the budget and personnel committee.

The abruptness of it all disturbed those who were fired, and many of those who were left behind. Petitions continued to circulate among faculty, staff and students, and letters to the editor quickly appeared in local newspapers taking the College to task for the firings, and for the manner in which they were accomplished.

"I don't believe that is the right way to treat people," said Katherine Chase, president of the Staff Council. "Middlebury, unlike other employers, had other options." Chase and other officers of the Staff Council were critical of the failure of the College administration to involve them in the decision-making process, and felt that other methods for saving money — such as having employees volunteer to take unpaid leaves during the next year, or deferring salary increases for the staff as a whole — might have saved enough money to have made the layoffs unnecessary.

On May 24, a rally to protest the cutbacks, and support those who were laid off, drew faculty, staff and students to the front of Old Chapel. President Light was also on hand, along with several members of the board of trustees, who were in town for trustee meetings that weekend. Staff members, including some of those who had been laid off, marched in a procession from Mead Chapel to Old Chapel. The rally included speeches and a skit in which staff members who were let go were represented by people with black hoods over their heads.

As spring turned to summer, the uproar on campus had died down only a little, and the layoffs promised to be a divisive issue for some time to come.

And the work of preparing for what seems an increasingly uncertain future continued. Following the sessions in March on issues in higher education, President Light appointed a committee to draft a plan for the future, to be presented to the College community this fall. The committee members are John McCardell, David Ginevan, John Emerson and Ann Hanson, all of whom served on the budget and personnel committee; Richard Wolfson, professor of physics; Ron Liebowitz, associate professor of geography; and Kirsten Powell, associate professor of art. The committee will be chaired by President Light, who said that the draft plan will include: a projection of where the College wants to go in the next decade, including lists of new projects and areas where the College can reduce its effort; a time line for implementing the plan; and long-term budget projections that attempt to match current commitments and new projects to expected resources.

We expect to have a report on the committee's work in the Winter 1992 issue of the magazine.

Campus mourns loss of student

Matt Slautterback '93 died on May 9, two days after suffering serious head injuries in an accident on campus.

Slautterback, of Carmel Valley, Calif., had been riding a skateboard down the road between the Proctor tennis courts and the St. Mary's Cemetery on the evening of May 7 when he collided with a car making the turn up that road. He was cared for at the scene by student emergency medical technicians, and an ambulance arrived within minutes to take him to Porter Medical Center, from which he was transferred to the intensive care unit of the Medical Center Hospital of Vermont in Burlington. He died there the morning of May 9.

Slautterback's family — his parents, Fred and Sarah, and his sister, Courtney — flew in immediately from California, and Jim Grube, his lacrosse coach, was with Matt and his family at the hospital. Matt had been the back-up goalie for this year's Middlebury varsity.

The day after his death, the team began play in the ECAC lacrosse championships at Middlebury, and Matt's father was on the bench with the team, in Matt's uniform, during the semifinal and final games. Middlebury won both, taking the ECAC title with a stirring 12-11 victory over Springfield on May 12. A memorial service for Matt was held the next day in Mead Chapel, attended by Matt's family, and a large crowd of students, faculty and staff.

DKE files suit against College

Delta Kappa Epsilon filed suit against Middlebury College in March, alleging that by terminating the fraternity, the College had violated students' freedom of association.

The College formally withdrew its recognition of DKE this past winter *(see Spring 1991)*, when it became clear that DKE, alone among Middlebury's six remaining fraternities, had refused to comply with the trustees' mandate of January 1990. At that time, the trustees said that if fraternities were to continue to exist at Middlebury, they would have to agree by December 30, 1990, to become coeducational houses. They were also told that to retain their national affiliations, they would have to be successful in petitioning their nationals to allow women as full and equal members. The DKE national refused to go along, and is now supporting the students in their efforts to get the courts to help the local. David Easlick, executive director of the national, said this was the first case he was aware of in which a DKE chapter had filed suit against a college over the issue of female membership.

According to Tad Powers, a Middlebury attorney representing the fraternity's alumni and the current student members of DKE, "It's basically a students' rights case." Powers said the local had considered going off campus as an all-male club, but had been told by College administrators that disciplinary action would be likely for student members of such an organization. "The question is where do you draw the line with the College's power to control students activities off campus."

The lawsuit also seeks to rescind a 1985 agreement between the DKE alumni group and the College, in which DKE gave the land on which the DKE Alumni House now sits to the College, in exchange for the right to build the house. Powers said that the agreement assumed that there would be a DKE fraternity on campus, which is no longer the case.

As of the end of the spring term, the College had no official response to the suit. Administrators said they believed the students who had been members of the DKE house were abiding by the College's rules, while making an honest effort to challenge the College on a question of principle.

Hanson named dean of students

In a restructuring of the dean of students office this spring, Ann Craig Hanson was picked to become dean of students at Middlebury on July 1, succeeding Karl Lindholm '67, who has taken on new responsibilities as dean of advising and off-campus study.

Hanson had been special assistant to the president and associate dean of the College, and served as dean of the College during the 1989-90 academic year, while Dean John Emerson was on academic leave.

In his new job, Lindholm, who

has been with the College since 1976 and had been dean of students since 1988, will work with faculty and other academic deans in advising students on study abroad and freshman academic courses. He will also lead programs to help faculty become freshman advisors, and develop new strategies for advising during the sophomore year.

"Karl Lindholm combines critical talents and academic sensitivity in serving the students of Middlebury College," President Light said in announcing the changes. "He has a perceptive understanding of students and their needs. He brings a unique perspective to this new job, having spent four years as an undergraduate here, as well as 15 years as a member of the dean of students staff."

President Light said that Ann Hanson "has shown herself to be an extraordinary administrator, dedicated to the academic goals of this College. She has played a key role in a variety of crucial areas, from housing, fraternities and social life to planning campus needs in the coming decade."

Ann Hanson became dean of students on July 1.

Lindholm, an American literature major at Middlebury, holds M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in American studies from Case Western Reserve. Hanson, who received a bachelor's degree in anthropology from Stanford, has a master's in education from Harvard and a Ph.D. from UCLA.

O'Brien, Grube Virginia-bound; Rifelj new dean of the College

Jane Margaret O'Brien, a professor of chemistry and dean of the faculty at Middlebury, was selected this spring to become the eighth president of Hollins College, a women's liberal arts college in Virginia.

Carol Rifelj

On July 1, O'Brien succeeded Paula P. Brownlee, who had been president at Hollins since 1981. In August of 1990, Brownlee became the first woman to head the Association of American Colleges. O'Brien is the fourth woman to serve as president of Hollins.

As it happened, Middlebury took a double blow when Hollins decided to make Maggie O'Brien its next president. O'Brien's husband, Jim Grube, had been the College's varsity lacrosse coach for a dozen years, and also served as assistant director of athletics. Maggie, Jim and their children will all be moving to Virginia, where Jim expects to continue to be involved in coaching lacrosse.

O'Brien came to Middlebury in 1980. She was promoted to associate professor with tenure in 1988, and became dean of the faculty in 1989.

In May, President Timothy Light announced that O'Brien will be succeeded as dean of the faculty by Carol Rifelj, a professor of French. Rifelj has been a member of the College faculty since 1972, and has served as director of Middlebury's School in Paris, dean of the French School, and chairman of the French department. She has also served on the Faculty Council and the faculty's Committee on Reappointment. President Light noted Rifelj had "served in the many administrative posts that are the lot of language teachers at Middlebury while continuing a strong presence in Middlebury's remarkable French program and a vibrant level of activity as a scholar in French literature. She brings to her new job a wide and current knowledge of the faculty and faculty concerns."

Also in May, athletic director Tom Lawson announced that Grube would be succeeded as head lacrosse coach by Erin Quinn '86, who has served as an assistant lacrosse and football coach at Middlebury. He had previously been head lacrosse coach at Lake Forest and before that an assistant at Tufts.

College's loss: Collins, Ross, Barenbaum and Potter to retire

Four people who have made a difference at Middlebury during the past 25 years or more retired at the end of this academic year. What follows are brief conversations with the four: Eleanor Collins, Simon Barenbaum, Jim Ross and Cap Potter.

In 1959, **Eleanor Collins** was asked, during a casual game of bridge, if she'd be interested in helping to "fill in" in Middlebury College's Old Chapel. Her first response was, "But I haven't touched a typewriter in 15 years!"

Fill in she did, however, first for two weeks for Dean of Women Elizabeth Kelly, then for Barbara Wells, who was director of admissions for women. Collins continued to work on a part-time basis until 1964, when she was hired as the full-time office manager for admissions in Emma Willard House, working for Fred Neuberger '50. For the past few years, she's had the title of special assistant to the dean of admissions. On June 30, Collins retired after 27 years in Emma Willard.

Actually, Collins had *tried* to retire a few years ago, but, she says, "Frank Kelley told me why I wasn't ready to retire." She saw Kelley's point, and so — to everybody's relief — she agreed to stay on, for awhile.

A great deal of the satisfaction she found working over the years in admissions has been due to her long-standing relationship with Fred Neuberger. "So many in the admissions office have been with him for a long time," she says. "Fred is a wonderful person, a wonderful boss. He can delegate but he always knows exactly what's going on."

Collins' job has evolved through the years from "just answering the phone" to "jack of all trades," she says. In recent years, she's done a little bit of everything, from helping to write publications, working on the budget, ordering supplies, keeping records, scheduling, and overseeing expense accounts.

But it's meeting people that Collins likes best, and she's met just about everyone who's applied to Middlebury for the past quarter century. "It's fun when alums call and I can remember them," she says.

Retirement will probably mean time to visit with her children and grandchildren. Then, maybe some time for sewing; she'd like to take up crewel again.

Thinking aloud, she mentions that she will be sending the public affairs office some admissions information in August. Then she gasps. "I won't even be here! It's really starting to hit me that I'm really serious about retirement, this time," she says.

"Working at the College has been a real pleasure to me. I've enjoyed the variety. No two days are alike."

"I've been lucky," says **Simon Barenbaum**, professor of French, reflecting on his years at Middlebury College, "because the College has given me the possibility to do well what I thought I could do." Simon Barenbaum will retire this year, after 21 years of service to the school.

Born in France, the son of actors, Barenbaum traveled a great deal as a child. When he was 12 and 13, just before World War II, the Barenbaum family lived in England, where Simon learned English. The Barenbaums were back in France when the war broke out. The family was first sent to a concentration camp, but a friend in Paris, a furrier ordered by the Germans to make fur coats for soldiers, asked to have Simon and his parents released to help in the work. Simon's brother, however, died at Auschwitz.

While freed from the concentration camp, the Barenbaums faced a dangerous life in Paris. So, with false papers in hand, they headed for southern France, and managed to make it to Draguignan. "We lived an almost normal life there," Barenbaum recalls. False papers and all, he studied at the Lycee and was a member of a soccer team. ("We won the championship of Southern France.") When American paratroopers began to land in France, Barenbaum, the only young man in the area who spoke English, offered to help the resistance.

His first assignment: Find the Americans and direct them to a

German encampment near Draguignan. With a companion, he set out in the night, in total darkness. They traveled up a dark road and, after a bit, Barenbaum recalls, "we could sense a presence." It was the Americans, walking in two barely discernible files, camouflaged, and silent. Barenbaum and his companion led the Americans to the German camp which resulted in a successful battle. A monument marks the spot today. Barenbaum continued to help the resistance until the end of the war. The intermingling with the Americans did something to his accent, he says: It became a "mixture of British and Texas."

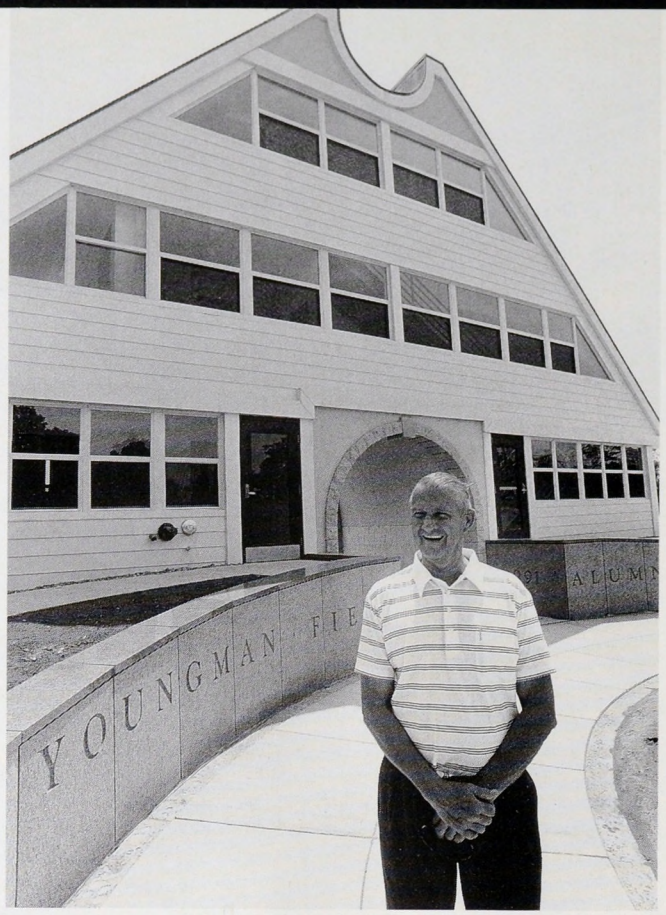
Barenbaum later spent four years at the Sorbonne, where he received a special diploma to teach French abroad. His original teaching plans were to teach English to French-speaking people, but these changed when he and his parents decided to move to the United States, where some relatives lived. He did graduate work at Brown and received his Ph.D. in 1957. He was also a graduate teaching assistant there. He was happy at Brown, but then Oberlin came looking for him, and he taught there for 14 years.

"I loved Oberlin," he says. "The kids grew up there." In 1970, Middlebury invited him to come as visiting assistant professor, and, happily for Middlebury, he stayed. "I've liked what I've done at Middlebury," he says. "I like the mix in the French department here. We all share several levels of teaching."

In addition to his teaching, Barenbaum has directed plays in French, and helped bring to life the Hepburn Zoo in the 1970's. He held a French theatre workshop annually for many years, and would take plays in rehearsal to the local high schools. However, French theatre workshops ceased about 10 years ago. "We were getting all girls," he says. So he switched to improvisational theatre and radio workshops.

In retirement, Barenbaum hopes to continue with some of the programs he's started — the radio workshop, the "Guide to Montreal," which is a nifty little insider's guide, in French, to places of interest in Montreal ("Ah! the pastry shops!" he exclaims) and other French department activities.

"I love to read aloud," he says. He has endowed the French department with a series of cassettes of poetry readings, covering works from the Middle Ages to the 20th century. He's also thinking of volunteering to record for the blind. "I'm also going to finally get a chance to attend some of the interesting lectures that I never had a chance to attend because of my schedule as a teacher," he says.



Jim Ross '51 at the main entrance to the new Alumni Stadium. Ross retired this spring after 26 years at the College.

Take a Middlebury graduate, class of 1951, with a big Middlebury family tradition — that is, two grandfathers, a great-grandfather, a number of cousins, maybe 22 Middlebury relatives in all — and you've got **Jim Ross**, Middlebury College's business manager, who retired in June after 26 years of service.

Ross, a tall, laconic Rutland native, has had a hand in both the life of the College and the life of the town. After getting his MBA from Syracuse, he did a three year stint with the Navy during the Korean war. Out of the Navy, and back in Vermont, he was looking for a job when Duke Nelson was in line to be the head of athletics at Middlebury. "Duke was more interested in producing winning teams than the business end of the Field House," says Ross, so he was able to come aboard as assistant purchasing agent and business manager of athletics.

From that point, Ross' responsibilities increased. He took over the management of the Bread Loaf campus around 1960, and then oversaw the construction of Stewart Hall, Wright Memorial Theatre, the Sunderland Language Center, the Science Center and Johnson.

Ross has also been involved over the years in many civic projects, both in Middlebury and Cornwall, where he lives. He was chairman of the Cornwall School Board in the '60s when the town built its new elementary school. Also, he's been a member of the Vermont State School Directors Association; the board of the Porter Medical Center, at the time of the construction of the Helen Porter Nursing Home ("I feel good that we did it," he says); and a deacon of the Congregational Church. He's been on the board of the Chittenden Bank since 1972, and on the board of the Addison County Chamber of Commerce. He has also served on the board of the Middlebury Union High School in various capacities.

"Jim's an amazing negotiator," says Ron Nief, Middlebury's director of public affairs. "He's dealt with impossible situations and brought people together. It's impossible to replace that kind of lifelong understanding of this area."

For Ross, retirement will include some consulting work for the College.

From *Hedda Gabler*, produced in McCullough Gymnasium in 1956, to *The Fifth of July*, produced in Wright Theatre in 1991 — and more than 100 plays in between — **Chandler "Cap" Potter** has left a mighty mark on Middlebury College theatre design.

Before coming to Middlebury College in 1956, Potter received his training from some of the most prestigious people in the business. He received his B.A. from Amherst and his MFA from Yale. He was designer for the Pittsburgh Playhouse and taught at Stevens College and St. Lawrence before coming to Middlebury in 1956.

Potter's first job at Middlebury was manager of backstage production as well as scene and lighting designer. There was no technical director then. Potter did all three areas — scenery, lights and costumes, in addition to teaching courses. "It was just Erie Volkert, me and one other guy," he says. Dick Forman joined the theatre department in 1970, a "talented, imaginative, wonderful person," Potter says. And since then, it's been a "team thing. We're often referred to as "Cap 'n Dick."

Wright opened in 1959, which obviously was an early high point for Potter. "The building attracted a special class of students," he recalls, referring to the class of '62. "They saw it in its early stages and it excited them." After the class of '62, there were "lean times" for theatre until 1975, when things started getting lively again. "The students in the class of '75 were creative, driven people. They did things on their own," he says.

Potter feels it's necessary to get more formal training than just the B.A. for anyone pursuing a theatre career. One of his recent students, Tom Meyer '90, is doing just that. He's working as head scenic artist for the Folger Shakespeare Theatre in Washington, D.C., and Folger's given him a grant to do figure study this year at Washington's Corcoran Gallery.

Cap was his advisor. "Cap was always accessible to me," Meyer says, "and he gave me a lot of opportunities to experiment. He really knows the basics."

Things have changed since the '50s. "Theatre today is highly specialized," Potter says. Scenery, lights and costumes are three distinct areas of expertise. But Cap Potter is one of a kind.

— Debby Hodge '60

IN BRIEF

Comprehensive fee up 4.5 percent; Geoff Smith '74 named interim director of admissions; march protests racism

Middlebury's comprehensive fee for the 1991-92 academic year will be $21,200, a $900 increase, or about 4.5 percent, over last year's fee. It is the smallest increase since 1974-75. President Timothy Light described the fee has having been arrived at "after extensive and sometimes agonizing discussions. We at the College recognize that there are severe limits on the ability of many families to meet increased costs. The proportion of growth has been set modestly to try to be of help to the increasing number of families who are finding their overall expenditures growing too quickly. ... I believe that the fee set for next year will permit us to continue to offer almost all of what we now offer. It will, however, be tight ... The difficult process of balancing the need to keep our fees as low as we possibly can against the equal need to continue to offer the unparalleled program which Middlebury does offer will be our task throughout the remainder of this decade." Middlebury's commitment to financial aid will grow along with the comprehensive fee, so that the College can continue its policy of aid-blind admissions: agreeing to meet the full demonstrated need of any student who meets the academic requirements for admission.

Members of the College community joined other Vermont and New York citizens to express their opinions on how to spend the $25 million recently allocated by the federal government for the cleanup of Lake Champlain. The group gathered in the rain near Crown Point on the New York side of Lake Champlain on March 2 to speak out about the polluted condition of the nation's sixth largest lake. The general message, voiced by Middlebury resident John Moyers '86, State Senator Elizabeth Ready, Greenpeace International's Mark Flogel, and John Gartner '93, was that the lake is seriously threatened and that its cleanup should start now.

Geoff Smith '74 has been named interim director of admissions. Smith, who had been assistant director of capital and planned giving in the development office for the past year, previously worked as an associate director of admissions at Middlebury, from 1986 to 1990, and as an assistant director of admissions at UVM. Smith took over the admissions job on July 1, as Middlebury continued a national search for a permanent successor to Fred Neuberger '50, who retired on June 30 as dean of admissions. Smith, who lives in Lincoln, holds a master's degree in education from UVM, and is a former elementary school teacher and principal. Said President Light, "The College is extremely fortunate to have a person of Geoff's experience, both with Middlebury admissions and the profession in general, to lead the office as Fred Neuberger steps down."

Geoff Smith '74 and friends outside Emma Willard.

Minority students and other members of the College community, a couple of hundred strong, marched to the town green on May 15 to protest instances of racial harassment involving local youths and several African-American Middlebury students. According to accounts from several black students, they were harrassed by locals on two successive nights, May 13 and 14, when the students went downtown to use automatic teller machines at bank offices near the green. The marchers carried banners and chanted slogans during the trek from the campus to the green, and then heard speeches from students, faculty and administrators on the need for racial tolerance — and the need for everyone to speak out against acts such as those which had prompted the demonstration. The Middlebury police and the state's attorney's office were investigating the incidents. In the weeks following the incidents, officers were seen patrolling the green on foot most evenings. In a statement issued the week of the incidents, President Light said that, "Speaking on behalf of the College, I deplore these incidents of racism and offer my support and concern to those who were victimized and to their friends in the student community." He called the march "a profound reminder of the need for all of us to be committed to a just and humane society."

Middlebury's own music faculty member James Grant had his work, "Fantasy Concert for Percussion and Orchestra," commissioned by the Vermont Symphony Orchestra last year, performed this spring by the VSO in Burlington, Bennington, Springfield and Middlebury, to ovations and rave reviews.

In April the College took part in the annual Hunger Cleanup, an activity sponsored by the Volunteer Services Organization. Money from this year's cleanup will help the Addison County Community Action Group pay the cost of their "perpetually-affordable" housing projects. The participants cleaned up along the North Branch and Dugway Roads in Ripton and earned enthusiastic thanks from the Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests district ranger, as well as from the folks in Ripton.

A 90-minute Bill Moyers special on PBS, which was filmed at Middlebury during the four-day "Spirit & Nature" conference last fall, premiered on June 5. On that same day, the United Nations Environmental Program held a premiere screening of the show as part of its "World Environmental Day."

Susanne Shaw stepped down at the end of June as director of annual giving at Middlebury to become director of development at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla. In announcing Shaw's new job, Director of Development Mike Schoenfeld '73 said that he knew the move was "a marvelous opportunity for Susanne, and I know I speak on behalf of all of us in extending to her my heartiest congratulations." While the College seeks a replacement for Shaw, her duties will be taken on by Eileen Simms and Anne Crumb '71, assistant directors of annual giving.

Middlebury College students and graduates will hold the fifth season of professional theatre with the Potomac Theatre Project in Washington, D.C.'s, Hall of Nations Theatre this summer. The company operates partially in affiliation with the College's department of theatre, dance and film/video, and two of the project's directors — Cheryl Faraone and Richard Romagnoli — are faculty members. The 1991 four-play repertory season will feature *Family Life*, by Wendy Hammond; *Mountain Language*, by Harold Pinter; *Manny & Jake: A Poster of the Cosmos*, by Lanford Wilson; and *The Dog Plays*, by Robert Chesley. The Hall of Nations Theatre is in Georgetown, at 1221 36th St. N.W. The four-week season opens July 9. And here's good news — admission to the shows is free.

Activists return, tell students they, too, can make a difference

In March, six Middlebury alumni, who attended the College between 1966 and 1980, returned to campus for an "Activist Exchange Weekend," a chance to share memories, ideas and ideals with current students, and with each other, and to reacquaint themselves with their alma mater — some for the first time in 20 years.

The weekend was the outgrowth of an article that appeared in this magazine, in the Spring 1990 issue. In that article, written by Susan Palmer '89, alumni, faculty and staff recalled the turmoil of the spring of 1970 on campus, in the wake of the U.S. invasion of Cambodia and the deaths of three students during a protest at Kent State

University in Ohio. Also in that article, a current student activist, Christine Eldred '91, expressed her disappointment that the activists of the past were not a presence on today's Middlebury campus. Said Eldred: "If they haven't abandoned the causes, they've at least abandoned us."

That quote elicited responses from Steve Early '70, an anti-war activist during his days at Middlebury, and the Rev. Erskine "Kim" White '73, both of whom suggested to Eldred that, somehow, the different generations of activists get together on campus. Eldred mentioned the idea to Sage Russell '74, associate director of alumni affairs, and together they got the project off the ground, with the help of activist groups on campus, including the African-American Alliance, Act Now, the Armadillos, EQ, the Hispanic-American League, Middlebury Against Gulf War Intervention and the Middlebury Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Alliance.

The list of alumni who returned grew to include Early, a lawyer, union organizer and journalist; White, now senior minister of the First Congregational Church in Melrose, Mass., who has worked in inner cities with the Campaign for Human Development; Tom Plumb '75, head of Addison County Community Action; Ned Farquhar '80, who was active in environmental issues while in college and is now executive director of the Vermont Natural Resources Council; Torie Osborn '75, founder of the Middlebury Women's Union, and now executive director of the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center and an AIDS activist; and Karla Baehr '70, who had been president of the Student Senate, and is now a school administrator in Massachusetts.

What follows are selections from the words that the audiences, made up largely of students, heard during the several panel discussions and workshops held during that weekend in March.

Steve Early: "It seems to me that one of the important first lessons of the movement against the Vietnam War (was the need for) a lot of public education. People need to know. Most people don't follow foreign policy or international affairs like they follow the Red Sox, right?"

"Start small. You try to get people to wear a button, you try to get them to hold a sign." From there, you can move on to civil disobedience or more radical action, if the situation warrants it.

Kim White: "Moral reality is like a seamless garment." If America's priorities are wrong at home, he said, America will have the wrong priorities overseas.

Be aware of the gap between perception and reality. In the inner cities, he said, "The eyewitness newscast follows the ambulances," but that's not the whole story. Also, he said, be cognizant of the gap between relatively affluent activists and the poor people they are working to help. Listen to the problems of the poor, and find out what they feel is most important, most relevant. "Issues are different in different cities. You have to listen."

"Build from the bottom up. Don't look to authority to help you — it's contrary to their interests."

"The two most important times in your life are, one, when you are born, and, two, when you discover why you were born. Seek out a life of justice and a career in activism," he suggested. "It all starts from where your heart is."

Karla Baehr: She said she left Middlebury hoping "to change the world," but was fired from her first job, as a teacher in Methuen, Mass., when she was perceived as a threat by the school administrators. She then went to an alternative school, with a more diverse student body (one student went on to graduate at the top of her class at Harvard-Radcliffe; another went on to a life sentence at Norfolk State Prison). She went to graduate school and turned her attention to curriculum development, and is now assistant superintendent of schools in Wellesley. "I think schools *can* change to help kids resist what the media tells them to believe." The goals of education, as she sees them: "To help kids learn the skills to collaborate; to learn to embrace difference and diversity, to see it as a tool of knowledge, rather than stamp it out; to encourage skillful, reasoned and informed dissent; and to enable kids to have a sense of efficacy — that what they do matters."

Tom Plumb: Plumb, too, pointed out the problem of naivete among middle-class activists. "My first article in *EQ News* was entitled, 'Buy Bikes, Sell Cars.' I rapidly discovered that it was somewhat naive, because there is no other way to get around in Vermont, really, except by owning a car."

"Twenty years ago, I was a strong advocate of most environmental regulations, if not all, and they're all great in theory, but in practice (they can) pit one segment of the community against another, and they're segments that should be aligned."

"You have the NIMBY syndrome: Not In My Backyard." He spoke of an attorney who had been on the board of his organization who fought against a Community Action project in Vergennes. He'd said, "We like what you do, but not here ..." Part of the problem, Plumb said, is in the difference in perception between newer Vermonters, who have moved in from out of state, many of whom are relatively affluent, and native Vermonters, particularly those who are at or below the poverty level. Plumb's workshop focused on how to bring the groups together. "Fighting antagonism with antagonism doesn't work."

Ned Farquhar: "Anybody with half a brain can do something in the environmental movement," Farquhar said, talking about the theory that creativity comes from the right brain, and practicality from the left. "If you have either a right brain or a left brain, you're going to be able to make it somewhere in the environmental movement. And if you can put them together and have a whole brain, and never exclude one side or the other, you're going to be all the more effective."

Addressing the right brainers first, Farquhar said "Pay attention to your soul, go ahead and get all of the experiences you can, meet all the people that you can, travel everywhere, read everything, get some sleep, and don't drink too much coffee." He warned against being "forced into thinking conventionally ... If you don't have a highly refined sense of the ridiculous, if you don't realize that you're working in a very difficult situation, you will get frustrated, end up taking things too hard, and get burned out."

For the left brainers, he said, it's important to have "a test period," in which they learn about the law, how agencies work, which groups have which roles — how the system works. "Always know what you're talking about. You can get laws passed, but they won't last long if people don't understand them. ... Help them know the facts." He urged students to get into environmental activism, taking advantage of Vermont as their laboratory, "not just doing things that make you feel good or feel involved, but things that actually have an effect. ... Things that really matter are extremely local and personal issues."

Torie Osborn: Osborn traced "the parallel tracks" of the gay movement and the lesbian movement through the '70s and into the '80s, when the two movements were brought together by the threat of AIDS. "This remarkable thing has happened in the '80s. Gay men and lesbians have really started to work together, started to like each other, started to learn from each other." She called AIDs "our Holocaust. ... The irony is that AIDS has awakened and radicalized an entire generation of white gay men. It has created a co-gender, truly co-gender movement, which makes us more powerful." She also talked about homophobia and its effects. "The level of pain experienced, particularly by young people, because of homophobia is extraordinary."

She feels gays and lesbians will be in the forefront of activism in the '90s, addressing issues such as health care, alternative family groups, and violence. "Women, people of color, anybody who faces institutionalized discrimination and oppression in this culture goes through a personal process of getting in touch with one's own rage, taking one's power, learning to assert oneself."

At a final session on Saturday afternoon, both Early and Kim White were looking to the future, and brought up a line from the Dennis Hopper character in the movie, *Flashback*: "Once we get out of the '80s, the '90s will make the '60s look like the '50s."

Looking back on the weekend, Christine Eldred felt it offered "something for the students to take away inside. It was the kind of thing that inspires and affects people in a way not immediately apparent. ... These are really bright, exceptional people who are doing something that matters with their lives, and that's special."

— Katherine Stebbins '91

SPORTS

The past six months were dramatic and productive for Middlebury College athletes, with three ECAC team championships and one individual NCAA championship.

The men's hockey team won the ECAC East championship, the men's and women's lacrosse teams also won ECAC titles — the first time that teams from the same college had won both championships — and Heather Flood '91 skied to an NCAA title in alpine skiing, taking the slalom at Park City, Utah.

The men's hockey team, runner up in last year's ECAC East tournament, rolled through the regular season with a 19-3-1 record, and then won three straight tournament games, all of them played at a jam-packed (and unbelievably raucous) Nelson Arena. The Panthers beat Bowdoin 4-3 in overtime in the quarterfinals, shutout Williams 2-0 in the semis, and beat archrival Babson 1-0 in a stirring final matchup. The team had 12 straight wins to finish the season, and a record of 22-3-1, the most wins ever by a Middlebury team.

Coach Bill Beaney, who was later named Division II coach of the year, attributed the Panther's success in the playoffs to consistent play from the entire team, and a superb effort by junior goalie Brent Truchon. "Everything just fell into place," Beaney said. "Our defensemen came of age in the last two weeks and that gave everyone more confidence. It was just a great effort on everybody's part."

Beaney said the entire team "seemed to be on a mission this season to win more games than last year (when the Panthers were 21-5-1) and to win the ECAC title, and they did just that. Winning was more of an accomplishment this year than last because we were top-rated at the start and didn't sneak up on anybody. They were waiting for us and played us tough. But anytime you get the goal keeping we got from Brent and the opportunistic scoring from the rest of the team, it's a hard combination to beat."

Middlebury finished the season strong, with those 12 straight wins, including the three playoff games. The team's only losses came to the University of Vermont (5-4), Babson and the University of Connecticut. Following the season and the playoff victories, the team held a "fan appreciation night" in the Pepin Gym, during which team photos were given to local kids (and not a few adults), who then had them autographed by the players and coaches.

Senior Marc Alcindor was the team's top scorer, with 49 points on 27 goals and 22 assists. He was followed closely by Kent Hughes, who scored the only goal in the championship game, and Tim Craig, who missed the playoffs to play with the U.S. team at the World University Games in Japan.

Truchon had a 2.65 goals against average, and senior Bill Ware also played well in goal, going 5-0 and allowing an average of only 1.96 goals.

At Park City, Heather Flood became Middlebury's first NCAA titleist since Rob McLeod won the slalom at the 1989 meet.

Flood had the fastest first run, and skied well enough in the second to post a decisive victory over the 34 other skiers in the field.

As a team, the Panthers finished ninth in the NCAA meet, not quite as good a finish as had been expected, considering the strong

Above: ***Autographed pictures of the ECAC champs were all the rage on campus and in town.***

At right: ***Heather Flood '91 on her way to an NCAA championship in the slalom at Park City, Utah.***

Below: ***After the Panthers won the ECAC lacrosse title, Athletic director Tom Lawson, at left, presented the trophy to, from left, Fred Slautterback, father of Matt, Coach Jim Grube, and defenseman Jerry Ward '91.***

showing in the Eastern championships at the Snow Bowl the previous week. In that meet, Middlebury's women finished second, close behind UVM, and the men's team finished third, behind only UVM and Dartmouth. UVM would go on to finish second in the NCAA championships, behind Colorado.

Flood also won the slalom at the Easterns, leading the strong Middlebury women's alpine squad to a win in that event over a tough UVM team. Flood was followed by Hilary Rose in third, Erica Nourjian in sixth and Kate Webber in ninth.

Both the men's and women's lacrosse teams had marvelous seasons this spring, and both won ECAC championships playing at home.

The men's team, coached by Jim Grube, rode an extraordinary emotional rollercoaster through the ECAC tournament. The team knew that Grube was coaching his last games for Middlebury, after more than 12 years at the College; he'll be moving to Virginia this summer with his wife, Maggie O'Brien, dean of the faculty and a professor of chemistry at Middlebury, who is taking over as president of Hollins College. And just days before the tournament, the team lost one of its members in a tragic accident on campus. Matt Slautterback '93, a sophomore reserve goalie, was killed when he collided with a car while skateboarding *(see "Around the Hill," this issue).*

With Slautterback's father, Fred, sitting on the bench — and even wearing his son's jersey — the team beat Colby College, 12-6, in the semifinals, and then survived a tense battle with Springfield, 12-11, in the title game. It was the Panthers' 10th ECAC title, and the first since 1988.

Coach Grube called the 1991 team his most special. "Nobody expected them to be any good," he said. "They've worked real hard and accomplished a lot." The team's only losses were to Division I Vermont, and to then-undefeated Williams College, which was upset in the tournament by Springfield.

After the championship game, in which the Panthers twice overcame two-goal Springfield leads, athletic director Tom Lawson said that in his 22 years at the school, he'd "never seen a game played with such emotion and intensity."

"This is the way it was meant to be," said John Atherton '93, a sophomore midfielder. "That was a special win. We missed Matty, but I'm sure he's as psyched as we are."

After the game, Grube told the *Burlington Free Press*, "We didn't need to trivialize such a tragedy by using it to motivate us. But there's no question that this was Matt's tournament, and a game we very much wanted to win as a team."

Tom Lawson, at right, presents the ECAC championship trophy to Coach Missy Hopkinson, second from right, and her team.

With two wins in the tournament, over Trinity and Connecticut College, Missy Hopkinson's women's lacrosse team finished at 13-2, ranked seventh in the nation in Division III.

In the semis against Trinity, top-seeded Middlebury jumped out to a 3-0 lead, but the game tightened up after that and "was nip and tuck the whole way," Hopkinson said. The Panthers led 4-2 at the half, but the final was 8-7, the team's lowest scoring game of the year, and represented what Hopkinson called "an incredible defensive effort." One of the team's best players, Karen Griffith, started the game with a knee injury, and while she had two goals and an assist, making her the leading scorer for the Panthers, she was gone before halftime. The team had to do a little stalling at the end of the game, Hopkinson said, to preserve the victory.

In the other semifinal, also played at Middlebury, Connecticut College upset second seed Smith College, setting up a Connecticut College-Middlebury final. Hopkinson said that while the Panthers built up a 6-3 lead by halftime against a fast, physical Connecticut College team, she never felt the lead was safe. The final score was 9-7 and, again, the team used some stalling tactics to save the win. Middlebury's final goal came with 10 minutes left in the game, and the team burned seven minutes off the clock with the stall, a tactic that Hopkinson said "isn't my style," but one which she felt the situation called for.

Kimmy Griffith had six of the nine goals for Middlebury, making up for the absence of her sister Karen. Kimmy ended up as the team's leading scorer, with 47 goals, followed by Karen with 39 (despite missing most of the playoffs and several other games to injury). Kate Chapman lead an outstanding defense, and Kate, Karen and Kimmy were all named Brine regional All-Americans. Karen was also on the second team of the Brine national All-American team, and was a first team All-American selection for Division III by the U.S. Women's Lacrosse Association.

Among the other contributors to the great season, Hopkinson said, were Kate Parker, "an incredible defensive player who can also put the ball in the net," and Lissa Gipson, a freshman goalie with a save average close to 70 percent who allowed only about four goals per game. The only losses for the Panthers were to Division I UVM and nationally-ranked St. Lawrence, 10-9 in overtime.

Good defense, mental toughness, great conditioning and versatile players, Hopkinson said, made for a season to remember.

Winter Sports

Men's hockey, 22-3-1,
ECAC East Champions
Women's hockey, 10-6
Skiing, 9th, NCAA's,
Easterns: Women, 2nd;
Men, 3rd
Women's basketball, 10-10
Men's basketball, 14-9
Women's squash, 10-10
Women's swimming, 6-4
Men's swimming, 5-5

Spring Sports

Women's lacrosse, 13-2;
ECAC Champions
Men's lacrosse, 10-2;
ECAC Champions
Men's baseball, 9-11-1
Women's track, 3-0;
9th, New Englands
Men's track, 1-1;
13th, New Englands
Women's tennis, 5-2
1st, Midd Invitational
Men's tennis, 12-2;
3rd, NESCAC's
Men's golf, 4th, NESCAC's

FACULTY NOTES

Judith E. Liskin-Gasparro (Spanish) was chair of the 1991 Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, which took place in New York in April. The theme of the conference was "Building Bridges and Making Connections." Middlebury's presence is strongly felt at the conference each year, with many Language Schools alumni gathering at a Middlebury reception, the Middlebury booth in the exhibit hall, and the conference sessions. ... **Marion Eppler** (psychology) coauthored two presentations at the meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development in Seattle. One was titled, "Emerging object manipulation skills and attention to intermodal object properties in 3.5- to 5.5-month-old infants," and the second was called "Crawling vs. walking infants' detection of action possibilities on a sloping walkway." ... A book by **Eleanor J. Gibson** (psychology), *An Odyssey in Learning and Perception*, was due out this spring from MIT Press. The book, according to its foreward, "portrays a scientist and her science. We learn about Eleanor J. Gibson through her field, experimental psychology, both through the scientific papers that she has collected here and through the personal essay that weaves these papers together by highlighting the questions and concerns that guided and animated her work." ... **Edward A. Martin** (English) is working on a book about the love affair and friendship of H.L. Mencken and Marion Bloom, between 1914 and 1930. The book will draw on letters, diaries, and the published works of both. The book will argue that the relationship with Bloom was important in Mencken's assessment of the role of women in American life, culminating in his book, *In Defense of Women* (1918) and the ratification of the 19th Amendement (1920) granting women the right to vote. ... **Matthew Dickerson** (mathematics and computer science) recently presented papers at the IEEE 30th Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science ("The Inverse of an Automorphism in Polynomial Time") and at the ACM 7th Annual Symposium on Computational Geometry ("Enumerating k Distances in the Plane"). Dickerson has also published papers in *Information Processing Letters* ("Fixed Radius Near Neighbors Search Problem for Points and Segments") and the *Journal of Symbolic Computation* ("The Inverse of an Automorphism in Polynomial Time"). He received a grant from the National Science Foundation, which runs through this summer, for work in computational geometry. The grant includes money for stipends for Middlebury undergraduates who assist in the project. ... **Barbara Penn** (art) has recently had solo exhibitions of her paintings at the Galerie Nalepa in Berlin (1991), the Gallery Paule Anglim in San Francisco (1990), and the Johnson Gallery ('90). Her work has appeared in group exhibitions, also, including a show, "Under the Name Babel," that appeared in several cities during the past year, and "Here and Now," an exhibition at the Johnson Gallery of faculty works. Penn, who spent artist residencies in 1990 at the Millay Colony in Austerlitz, N.Y., and Yaddo, in Saratoga Springs, has spent most of the past year as a visiting professor at Middlebury. She was a resident artist and lecturer in advanced drawing in the spring of '90, spent the fall of '90 at UVM, lectured at Middlebury during the 1991 Winter Term in drawing, and this past spring taught painting at Middlebury as an assistant professor. ... **John Spencer** (history) and **Tamar Mayer** (geography) participated in a two-day "Teach In" on the Middle East at UVM in January, during the Gulf crisis. Spencer also appeared on a WCAX-TV show, "You Can Quote Me," answering questions about the Middle East situation. ... *Nuclear Choices: A Citizen's Guide to Nuclear Technology*, a book by **Rich Wolfson** (physics) was published by the MIT Press and McGraw Hill in May. ... **Paul Sommers** (economics) and **Dan Durland Jr.** '89 were the coauthors of an article, "Collusion in Major League Baseball: An Empirical Test," that appeared in a recent issue of the *Journal of Sport Behavior*, a publication of the United States Sports Academy. Also, Sommers and **Raymond B. Strong** '91 coauthored an article, "Salary Differentials by Sex and Region in Academe," that appeared in the *Atlantic Economic Journal*. ... An article by **Judith M. Barringer** (art), "Europa and the Nereids: Wedding or Funeral?" will appear in the October '91 issue of the *American Journal of Archaeology*. Also, Barringer delivered a paper, "Thetis, Nereids and Dionysos," at the annual convention of the Archaelogical Institute of America, held in San Francisco last December. Barringer will spend part of this summer doing research in southern Italy and Sicily for a forthcoming book. ... **Sunhee Choi** (chemistry and biochemistry) has submitted a paper, "Infrared Spectroscopic Studies of the Effect of Cholesterol on the Calcium Binding Properties of Phosphatidylserine," to the journal *Biochemistry*. The paper was coauthored by **Bill Ware** '91, **Steve Lauterbach** '90 and **Wanda Phillips**. Also, Sunhee Choi has received two grants recently: $20,000 from the Petroleum Research Fund for "Spectroscopic Studies on Stereochemistry and Coordination Behavior of Nickel Porphyrins"; and $5,170 from the National Science Foundation for "Interaction of Cytochrome c with Phosphilids: Calorimetric and Spectroscopic Studies." ... **Kenneth Myers** (American literature and civilization) will be on leave next year, completing work on a book, *Selling the Sublime: The Catskills and the Social Construction of Landscape Experience in the United States, 1776-1876*. He will be supported in his work by a J. Paul Getty Postdoctoral Fellowship in the History of Art and Humanities, and Research Residency Award from the New York State Library to investigate manuscript and other holdings dealing with the history of Catskill Mountain painting, literature and tourism. Myers has lectured on various aspects of this research recently at Union College, at the annual meeting of the American Studies Association in New Orleans, and at the Harmony Club in New York, and will speak on related topics at the Brazos Forum in Waco, Texas in October. ... **Leger Grindon** (theater/dance/film/video) will serve as secretary-treasurer of the Society for Cinema Studies through 1992. An essay, "Risorgimento History and Screen Spectacle: Visconti's *Senso*," appeared in *Resisting Images: Essays on Cinema and History* (Temple University Press); another essay, "History and the Historians in *La Marseillaise*," appeared in *Film History*, Spring '91; and a third, "Hollywood History and the French Revolution: From *The Bastille* to *The Black Book*," will appear next fall in *The Velvet Light Trap*. Also, he delivered a paper, "Oral Testimony and Historical Interpretation in Warren Beatty's *Reds*," this spring at a conference of the Society for Cinema Studies. ... Prints by **David Bumbeck** (art) appeared in a solo exhibition in February at the Northern Arizona University Art Museum in Flagstaff. His work has also been (and will be) included in a number of group exhibitions: The Boston Printmakers 43rd North American Print Exhibition; "Contemporary Prints," at the McKnay Museum in San Antonio; the 23rd Bradley National Print and Drawing Exhibition; "National Works on Paper," at the University of Mississippi; the 166th Annual Exhibition at the National Academy of Design in New York; the Society of American Graphic Artists' 64th National Print Exhibition, New York (October 3-22, 1991); and the National Printmaking Exhibition, Trenton, N.J., State College. His prints have also been added to the collections of the Cincinnati Art Museum and the Northern Arizona University Art Museum. ... **Alicia Andreu** (Spanish and Italian) chaired a session, "El discurso transhistorico en America Latina: creaciones y recreaciones," at the 11th annual Cincinnati Conference on Romance Languages and Literatures in May. She has also presented several papers recently: "Perspectivas Contemporaneas en la obra de Benito Perez Galdos" at Washington University in St. Louis; "Una Relectura de las Novelas Contemporaneas de Benito Perez Galdos," at Emory University in Atlanta; and "Aproximaciones criticas al testimonio peruano contemporaneo," at Ohio State University. This summer, she is taking part in an NEH Summer Seminar for College Teachers, "Spanish Autobiography in the European Context," also at St. Louis' Washington University. ... Members of the Middlebury faculty and staff made several presentations at a conference, "Computing Strategies Across the Curriculum," at UVM in April: "Providing Access to Library and Information Services on Campus and Beyond," **Jeff Rehbach** (systems librarian); "The Heart of the Fugue: A Demonstration of Interactive CD Audio," **Sheldon Sax** (academic computing) and **Greg Vitercik** (music); "Networking Strategies for the Smaller College," **Howie McCausland** (academic computing); "HyperCard 2.0: The Foreign Language Lego Set," **David Herren** (academic computing); and "Utilizing a Heterogeneous Computing Environment," **Peter Andrews** (mathematics and computer science). ... HyperGlot Software recently published a third set of computer-aided Chinese language instructional software, *Chinese Writing Tutor*, by **Clara Yu** (Chinese). ... New poems by **Gary Margolis** '67 (Counseling; English) will appear in *The Seneca Review* and in *Marriage*, an anthology of poems edited by Michael Blumenthal. Also, Margolis gave the keynote address, "Alcohol and Other Drugs in School and College: Finding a Common Language," at a recent conference for school administrators at Brown University. ... **David Macey** (history) organized a film festival this spring, "Soviet Society in the Era of Glasnost," that brought recent Soviet documentary and feature films, and three Soviet directors, to the campus. He was also responsible for the April visit to Middlebury Union High School by the Orchestra of the Music School of Yaroslavl, an accomplished group of young musicians (under 26) who play on traditional Russian folk instruments. ... An article by **Dan Nolle** (economics), "An Empirical Analysis of Market Structure and Import and Export Performance for U.S. Manufacturing," will appear in the *Quarterly Review of Economics and Business*.

Finding the scientist in every student

The Vermont Elementary Science Project hopes to change how, and how much, science is taught

By Tim Etchells '74
Photos by Erik Borg 67

The quality of the debate over elementary education in this country often puts one in mind of Mark Twain's comment about the weather: Everyone talks about it, but no one ever does anything about it. • One might add here that for most of us, making improvements in the nation's public schools seems about as *likely* as changing the weather. In large part, to be sure, it's because we don't know much about teaching, or teachers, or just what does go on in our kids' classrooms each day. When we hear about elementary education in newspapers, news magazines and on TV, we hear about national problems, which thus seem unimaginably vast. It's tempting to throw up our hands. And, of course, most of us do. • But there are those who believe that if you sharpen the focus and commit yourself to making a difference, it is possible to produce change. An example is the Vermont Elementary Science Project. • The project grew out of a collaboration among three Middlebury educators: Bob Prigo, a professor of physics at the College; Gregg Humphrey '70, a teacher and administrator at the Mary Hogan Elementary School in town; and Sue Lockwood Lewis '58, also a teacher at Mary Hogan. • The three had gotten together some years back, with the common goal of improving the way science was taught at Mary Hogan. Both Humphrey and Lewis had seen the need, and both knew of Bob Prigo and his unusual — and unusually successful — teaching methods at Middlebury. So the two elementary school teachers sought out the college professor, and a partnership was formed. • "It was obvious to me that there were problems in teaching science," Lewis says. "The kids didn't like it, and they weren't learning." She was unhappy with what was going on, and talked with Gregg Humphrey, then assistant principal at Mary Hogan, about working on ways to improve the way science was taught. "I told him I wanted to take on science," Lewis says, "and he said, 'You want to do science? I want to do science, too.' "

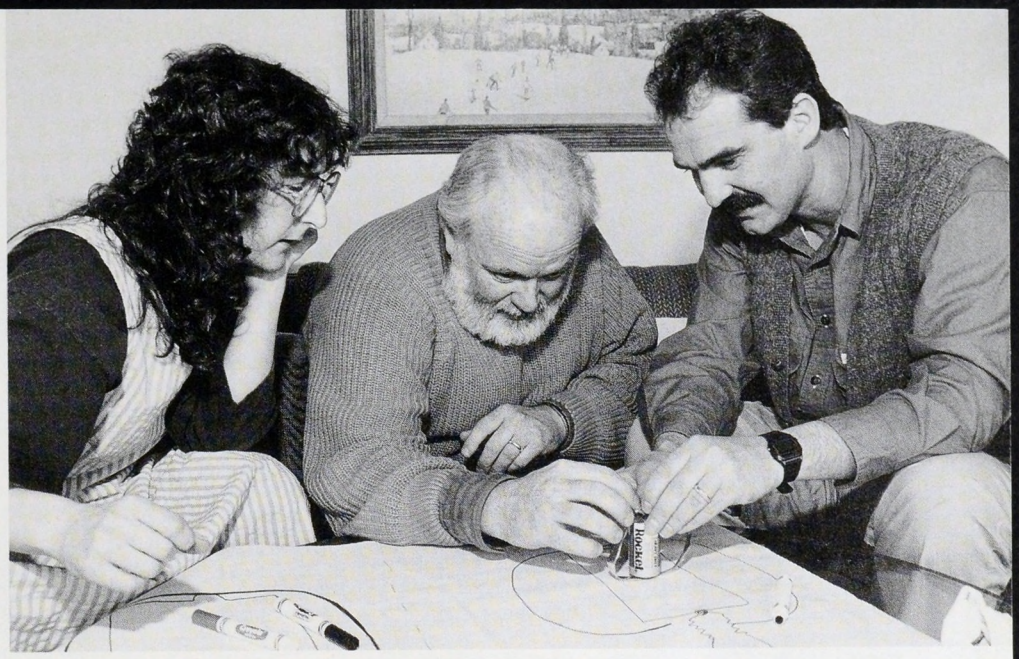
So the two shared a sabbatical, which saw each of them taking half of a school year to attend workshops and conventions, read, and generally study science education. Lewis knew about Bob Prigo, because her son, John Lewis '83, had taken a course from Prigo at Middlebury. And Humphrey and Prigo had been neighbors for a time in Weybridge. So they enlisted Prigo in their effort, and, Sue Lewis says, "It couldn't have worked out better."

Before too long, Lewis, Humphrey and Prigo were offering their own workshops, two-week summer sessions for Vermont elementary school teachers, with the help of some state money. In addition, the three were giving training sessions and presentations on science teaching to teachers and administrators all over Vermont and New England.

The Vermont Elementary Science Project, or VESP, was a logical next step. The goal: To improve the teaching of science, particularly physics, in elementary schools in the Champlain Valley of Vermont, and produce a model for science teaching that just might work in other settings.

The project has the backing right now of the National Science Foundation, which gave the VESP — through The Network Inc. — a three-year, $750,000 grant in the spring of 1990. The Network is a private, non-profit corporation in Andover, Mass., which seeks to enhance learning in schools, businesses and government. Some of the ideas behind the project came out of reports produced by a Network subsidiary, the National Center for Improving Science Education. Maura Carlson, a research associate with the NCISE, is the project manager for VESP, and is based at Trinity College in Burlington, Vt. Bob Prigo and The Network's Susan Houcks-Lorsley are listed as co-principal investigators. Humphrey has the title of training and assistance specialist, and Sue Lewis is a consultant. Humphrey is on leave from Mary Hogan while he works on the project, while Lewis is still teaching at the school.

Much has been said and written in recent years about the problems in elementary science education. According to Gregg Humphrey, the situation right now is comparable to that following the Soviet Union's launch of Sputnik back in the late '50s. That event crystallized the perception that the U.S. was falling behind in science, and, Humphrey says, spawned "a huge movement to improve science education. Funds from the NSF rose accordingly, and some great things developed," some of which, Prigo points out, are still used effectively today. But, Humphrey says, "the movement fizzled out."



Above: Gregg Humphrey, center, works with Mary Hogan's Vickie Greenhouse, left, and Steve Hamilton, principal of the Lawrence Barnes Elementary School in Burlington, during a one-day workshop at Middlebury. Below: At the same workshop, Bob Prigo, left, draws up some plans with Karen Carlson, a Weybridge kindergarten teacher, and Michael Bonavita, from the Hinesburg Elementary School.

For this generation, Humphrey says, the Sputnik analogue was the Challenger disaster. That tragedy, which included the loss of Christa McAuliffe, an elementary school science teacher from Concord, N.H., again brought on the feeling, Humphrey says, "that our science has failed us." Once again, there has been a resurgence in NSF support for programs to improve science teaching. "But this time," Humphrey says, "we're trying to do it better, so it doesn't fizzle out."

In one of its reports, the NCISE said that the major concern with science education is that most children are not taught science *at all* in the early grades, and that when they are, "they are taught in a way that progressively diminishes their interest in the subject and their confidence in their ability to learn it." The consequences for this kind of failure, Prigo says, are alarming, and he quotes Carl Sagan on the subject: "Ignorance of science threatens our economic well-being, national security and the democratic process. We must do better."

The VESP is trying to do just that, developing new ideas and working to disseminate them to a wider audience. The program includes:

• Summer science institutes for teachers and administrators who are part of the program, both to ground them in the concepts they're being asked to teach, show them methods for teaching those ideas, and help them design at least one physics unit to use in their classrooms that fall;

• One-day "follow-up" sessions, four times a year, usually held at Middlebury College;

• Frequent visits to the schools for workshops and support;

• And help in obtaining materials, workbooks, and literature.

In its first year, just concluded, the project involved nine teams of teachers and administrators from a dozen schools — 38 people all told. In its second year, the project expects to work with 13 teams, including some that will be in their second year.

Prigo is one of the main attractions at the summer institutes, doing "dozens and dozens, maybe hundreds of demonstrations," he says, of ways to teach the concepts of physics in a hands-on way. The reason: Many teachers don't understand the ideas themselves, and until they do,

In science, show, don't just tell

Bernoulli's principle [after D. BERNOULLI]: the statement that an increase in the speed of a fluid produces a decrease in pressure and a decrease in the speed produces an increase in pressure. (From Webster's New World Dictionary, Second College Edition.)

Got that? No? Well, if you're not a university-trained physicist or an engineer, that's no surprise. And if you're a third-grader, forget it. One of the ideas behind the Vermont Elementary Science Project is to chuck the textbooks and their dense explanations and definitions, and get kids to learn the important concepts of physics for themselves. In an article about the work of VESP, Bob Prigo says that for an elementary audience, you might simplify the above definition of Bernoulli's principle to something like, "Things move towards moving air or water." He notes that while the principle is "simple enough to illuminate, it happens to be one that slaps in the face our pre-conceived, common sense notions about moving fluids. This duality between simplicity and uncommon sense, we feel, can provide children (and adults) the best opportunity to address their misconceptions and experience real discovery and delight." He lists 19 different activities for exploring the principle, all of which can be done with little or no special equipment. They include:

• Take a piece of notebook paper. With thumbs and forefingers, hold it horizontally about one-third of the way from one end. Allow the paper to droop downward naturally. Now blow straight out over the paper just above its slightly curved surface. Observe how the paper moves *upwards towards the moving air.*

• Place a dime on a table near an edge and a bowl about 20 cm. away. Blow hard *above and straight over* (not under) the dime in the direction of the bowl. A hard enough blow will cause the dime to come up off the table and fly into the bowl. Observe how the dime is *picked up off the table by the moving air above it.*

• Fill a small clear glass with (colored) water. Take a clear plastic straw and hold it vertically in the water. Using a second straw as a directional blower, blow *hard and straight over* the top of the straw in the water. Observe the water *rising* in the straw. The harder you blow, the more it rises.

• Get some water pouring slowly and smoothly out of a faucet. Take a ping pong ball tied to a foot long piece of thread and, while holding the end of the thread, bring the ball up to the moving water. It will be *pulled into the stream* and can be made to stay there.

• Place a ping pong ball in a plastic funnel. Holding the funnel top up, try to blow the ball out by blowing up through the small part of the funnel. It cannot be done. The harder you blow, the less chance you have. The fast moving air, escaping between the ball and the bottom walls of the funnel, holds the ball down.

they can't be expected to teach them effectively.

Bob Prigo says some of the blame for this can be found in college science courses. He says his approach during the summer institutes "parallels what we want the teachers to do with their students. We do dozens of activities that head them toward the concept we want to develop. Activities focusing on, say, Newton's Third Law. We want them to feel the concept, and to see it in their everyday lives, whether in sports, medicine, technology, or their backyards. They have to see it in many ways. I want to get them to the point where they they say, 'Oh, yeah, I see what this is all about.' " The idea, Humphrey says, "is to get them turned on to science as adults, in much the same way that we hope their students will get turned on to science as kids."

Both Humphrey and Lewis say they're constantly amazed by Prigo's work with teachers and kids. "When he's teaching, you know he's done this a million times, but he makes it so exciting," says Lewis. "It's as if he's discovering it himself for the first time. He's somehow able to keep the point of view of what it's like *not* to understand."

Once the teachers do understand the concepts, they'll be better able to teach those ideas to their students. And since the teachers have picked up the ideas through hands-on instruction, they'll be in a better position to allow their students "to do their own investigations," Prigo says, "testing questions, and reporting their results."

The key is what are called "process skills," one of the latest buzzwords in education. The phrase may have originated in relatively recent attempts to revamp writing programs in schools. At the time, working to improve student writing, folks had the good idea to ask, What do real writers do? "Well, they don't write one draft and then turn it in," says Sue Lewis. "They revise, they rewrite, revise, then rewrite again. So we're looking at what real scientists do. They pose questions, make predictions, gather data. They're collaborative. And they try not to bring preconceptions to their work. They might pose a question, do the work, and then get an unexpected result, which would send them off in another, unexpected direction."

Humphrey points out that the kids who arrive in elementary school classrooms each fall "are already scientists, broadly speaking." They've done a lot of experimenting with their world, and developed their own views of what makes it work. Teachers have to be aware of that, he says, "have to know what kids *think* is happening" — understand their conceptions, and misconceptions — and then be willing to point the kids, gently, in the right direction: "Instead of saying, 'No, that's wrong,' you can say, 'Okay, that's good, that's what Aristotle thought 3,000 years ago.' " Adds Prigo: "The point is to celebrate, not criticize."

For Prigo, language is important. In working with college students, he's found that "they can use some pretty sophisticated language, but that doesn't always mean they understand. Sometimes, you need to probe beneath the language, taking things to a simpler level. Language can actually mask misunderstandings." An example, says Humphrey, is a phrase like "high pressure." "You say, 'high pressure,' and the kids start looking up at the ceiling. What do you mean by 'high'? Well, maybe it's better to talk about 'strong' pressure." It's just this kind of problem with language that leads the VESP team to concentrate on hands-on science, rather than what comes out of textbooks. The emphasis is on understanding; once students have that, fine; bring on the big words. But don't let language get in the way of learning.

The science institutes are followed up during the school year with the one-day workshops, and with visits to the participating schools — regular checkups, as it were, for pep talks and to help solve problems that crop up.

"The key is sustained support," Humphrey says. "We have to come at this on many different levels. The traditional way is that teachers take courses in the summer, on their own, and they get very excited about the possibilities. But when they come back to the classroom, reality sets in. Often, they revert back to what they were doing in the past. And that's the nature of change; we all do that. But we want them to know we're not going away. We'll be there to help when they need it."

As a classroom teacher, Sue Lewis

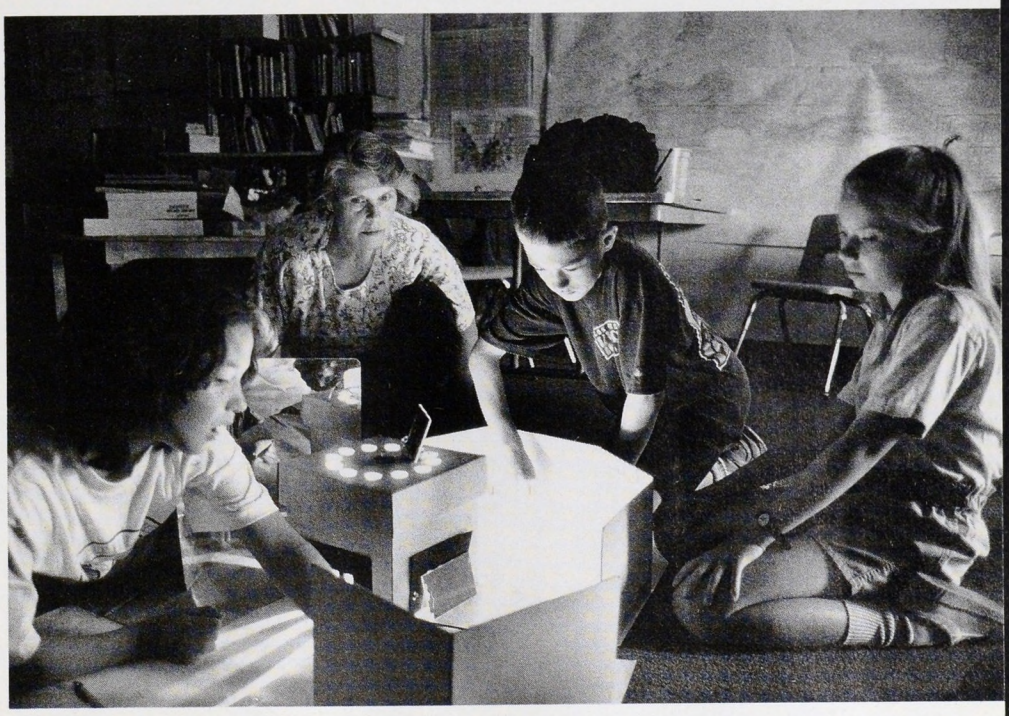
appreciates that not all teachers are going to take to these new ideas right away. "Some don't," she says. "It's different, and if it seems strange to them, it will be difficult." Very traditional teachers, she says, worry right away about how they're going to manage their classes, "with kids getting up out of their seats, talking to each other. You have to expect a certain amount of 'off-task' behavior with this kind of teaching." They also wonder, How do I start? And Lewis says, "You just have to try it a few times, go through it. You'll find that there's not *one* way to do it."

The difference, she says, is whether the teachers are risk takers. "If they are, they'll keep trying things," Lewis says. "Others are afraid to change. Peer support is important, and whether the administration is supportive, if they value this approach. If not, it's very hard to get science into the schools in this way." Which is one of the reasons that VESP insists on having at least one administrator on every school's team.

Says Humphrey, "Administrators often haven't understood, even if they were supportive. But the administration has to be part of the team. We've heard teachers say, 'I tried this approach, but it's noisy, and if an administrator comes in, he or she will think there's something wrong.' Now, we want to get administrators to think something's wrong if they *don't* hear any noise coming out of a science class."

According to Lewis, Humphrey and Prigo, the Vermont Elementary Science Project is designed to challenge some of the most widely held beliefs about teaching. "The metaphor had been that the student was a blank slate, an empty cup," says Lewis. "The latest thinking is called constructionist, in which the student constructs knowledge, with the teacher helping. School should not be teachers asking questions and students giving them answers; it should be students asking the questions, and teachers helping them to find a way to discover the answers." In fact, says Humphrey, the word "teacher" and all it has come to mean might not be the best way to express what the VESP hopes will happen in the classroom. "Facilitator" is not a particularly attractive word, but it's closer; "coach" might be as a good a word as any.

It's been Lewis' experience that the methods advocated for science teaching by the VESP are applicable to other subject areas — such as social studies and literature — and can actually revitalize both teachers and their students. But she says, "We don't say, 'This is going to change your whole life.' We show them how this can work, and hope they feel it's a better way to teach."



Sue Lewis '58, at left, and above, working with a light box with three of the students in her fifth and sixth grade class at Mary Hogan School: from left, Holly Carlson, Ivan Tighe and Myrna Bussiere.

So what, exactly, does the National Science Foundation expect to get for its $750,000? And what will it get?

Humphrey feels that the NSF wants to see if sustained support can be effective in improving science teaching. "They're taking what is, by their standards, a small area — though with all the miles I've put on my car, it doesn't seem small to me — and pumping in enough money to look at this model of sustained support. Can we develop something that can be used elsewhere? Can we come up with a product, a package?"

Sue Lewis, from her teacher's perspective, thinks that the best result after three years might be "100 teachers in the Champlain Valley who are demanding that schools be restructured so that science receives the attention it deserves — and 100 teachers who are teaching science. All of those teachers will be creating change in their schools, and that will multiply."

She's not sure just how the program will transplant, recalling a talk with a teacher from Texas, who spoke of every teacher in every school having to be on the same page of the same book on the same day. She allows that Vermont is an extraordinary place, where teachers have a great deal of freedom, and the state imposes few curricular restrictions. And she says that it's always easier to bring about change in a small state than a large one.

But all of the VESP participants seem to feel they're on to something good here, something that might really make a difference for students, and their teachers.

"When I started to really get into this," Sue Lewis says, "I decided I'd been cheated in my education, that I hadn't been given any sense of the world I live in. How could I have gone through life, I found myself asking, not knowing all of this?"

She wants to be sure that her students — and those of at least 100 other teachers — won't someday be asking themselves the same kinds of questions.

A writer shares her view of two different worlds

By Dwight Garner '89
Photos by Erik Borg '67

What Julia Alvarez remembers most about arriving in America in 1960, at the age of 10, is that it made her head spin. • "Being thrust into a new country is always an overwhelming experience," says Alvarez, 41, a newly-tenured associate professor of English at Middlebury. "But imagine being from an Old World family in the Dominican Republic, and suddenly being tossed into the crazy 1960's in America. It was a real jolt." • That terrifying, exhilarating jolt is what snapped Alvarez's senses to attention and made her a writer. "I needed language, I needed to write, to come to terms with things," she says. Alvarez's first novel, *How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents*, published to much acclaim this spring by Algonquin Books, is a remarkable, elegiac coming to terms. The story of four headstrong, well-to-do sisters who must flee the Dominican Republic with their family after a failed *coup d'etat*, the book is a comic, bittersweet tale of falling in love with a schizophrenic new country while being haunted by the one you've left behind. • It's also a book very much concerned with language. One of its several young narrators seems to speak for Alvarez — who cuts a vivid figure stepping between squirrels on Middlebury's staid campus — when she recalls: *Back in those days I had what one teacher called "a vivacious personality." I had to look the word up in the dictionary and was relieved to find out it didn't mean I had problems. English was then still a party favor for me — crack open the dictionary and find out if I'd just been insulted, praised, admonished, criticized.* • These days, in print anyway, English is anything but a baffling party favor for Alvarez, who graduated from Middlebury in 1971. In *Garcia Girls* she is fully in control; her sentences aren't simply columns of ink marching tidily across the page but the agents of seduction and surprise, with their own tint, timbre, weight and scent. Her ease of expression straddles two cultures.

Facing page: Julia Alvarez '71 found that writing helped her come to terms with the culture shock of arriving in America.

Alvarez says she has to watch that her writing doesn't become too academic. 'Sometimes you have to climb down out of your own head. You don't want to write the perfectly teachable story.'

To meet Alvarez off the page, however, is to meet someone for whom English remains a kind of manic, let's-burst-the-pinata plaything. She's a born talker, leaning into a conversation as if into the wind, peppering her rapid, Spanish-inflected cadences with lots of "you knows" and the occasional "What's the word in English?" On a humid, overcast day in late May, she talks with a visitor in her second-floor study, which has a wide-angle view of the Green Mountains to the east. The house, a few miles from campus in Weybridge, is one Alvarez shares with her husband William Eichner, who is an eye doctor, and his two teenage daughters from a previous marriage.

The setting is a distinctly rural one, even though Alvarez has filled the house with bright rugs, woodcuts and other Latin American touches. "There's something about Vermont, both the landscape and the people, you know, that feels settled and firmly rooted," she says, taking in the view. Roots are something Alvarez talks about quite a lot, and with reason. If taking hasty leave of the Dominican Republic wasn't enough, she has spent much of her academic career criss-crossing the United States like an academic migrant worker.

Her first job out of graduate school — she got an M.A. from Syracuse in 1975 after graduating from Middlebury — was with a federal literacy program. She taught poetry and writing across rural Kentucky. "I'd pack up my little yellow Volkswagen and go from town to town," Alvarez recalls. "I'd only stay in each town for a few weeks, and I'd teach everywhere from grade schools and community colleges to prisons." It was an eye-opening experience. "All these people really knew about me was that I was somehow with the government. They'd ask me if I knew anything about their welfare checks. When I mentioned poetry they thought I'd said 'poultry.' "

Alvarez's two years in Kentucky were followed by teaching jobs in California, Delaware and North Carolina, among other places. She rediscovered Vermont in the early '80s, when she taught for three years at the University of Vermont. But even then she wasn't settled down yet. Jobs at George Washington University in Maryland and the University of Illinois followed, and in 1986 she published her first book of poetry, *Homecoming*. In 1987, she won a $20,000 National Endowment for the Arts grant and spent a year writing in Charlotte, Vt., and in the Dominican Republic. She took a job in Middlebury's English department in 1988, and she still seems to be catching her breath from the years of motion.

"My books and possessions, after all these years of travelling, have been scattered in the attics of so many friends' houses across the country," she says. "Things still seem to be arriving in the mail."

If Alvarez is finally settling into life in rural Vermont, *How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents* is largely about how one goes about finding one's way in unfamiliar surroundings. The book is as evocative of the Dominican Republic and the Old World manners as it is plugged in to America's more manic voltages. The four earnest Garcia girls delight in America's social and cultural exuberance, and Alvarez chronicles their tentative dabblings with dating, drugs and self-expression with a knowing eye.

"These stories are true," she says, "if not always in a literal sense then certainly in an emotional sense. I do have three sisters, and my family was forced to leave the Dominican Republic." Unlike the Dominican Republic, America is where, Alvarez writes, the girls could ...

... kiss and not get pregnant. We could smoke and no great aunt would smell us and croak. We began to develop a taste for the American teenage good life, and soon, Island was old hat, man. Island was the hair-and-nails crowd, chaperons, and icky boys with all their macho strutting and unbuttoned shirts and hairy chests with gold chains and teensy gold crucifixes. By the end of a couple of years away from home, we had more *than adjusted.*

The book — actually a series of interwoven short stories that leap back and forth in time — didn't start out as a book at all. "I had won an award for a short story I had written," Alvarez says, "and I was flown down to New York to read it. After the reading, an agent had me send my stuff to Shannon Ravenel, an editor at Algonquin Books, and Shannon helped me realize that there was a book in these stories. We carefully arranged them, and I wrote several to fill in gaps."

Although she has been touring the

Six more Midd titles to take to the beach

Uncommon Genius: How Great Ideas Are Born

By Denise Shekerjian '75; Viking, New York, 1991.

According to *The New York Times Book Review*, Denise Shekerjian set out in this book to define "the nature and roots of creativity and show 'how great ideas are born,' " taking as her source the lives and works of 40 recipients of fellowships from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, so-called "genius grants." Her subjects ranged from Stephen Jay Gould, the paleontologist and evolutionary theorist, to Bill Irwin, a performance artist and professional clown, and included writers, poets, artists, film makers, directors and conservationists. According to *The Times*, the book "doubles as a portrait of the MacArthur Foundation and its inner workings." Shekerjian is a lawyer and the author of a previous book titled *Competent Counsel.*

The Finnsburg Encounter

By Matthew T. Dickerson (Mathematics); Crossway Books, Wheaton, Ill., 1991.

In an author's note, Matthew Dickerson says that this novel "grew out of a small portion of the Old English heroic poem *Beowulf.* After Beowulf's victory over the monster Grendel, the hero and his brave companions gather in Heorot, the famous hall of Danish king Hrothgar, to celebrate. In that portion of the poem, often called "The Finnsburg Episode of Beowulf," Hrothgar's poet sings a song about the famous battle of Finn and Hnaef. ... At the time that *Beowulf* was composed, that tale ... was probably well known .. Now, however, the full story of the events is long lost. ... Here, then is given, as recreated in the imagination of the author, a fuller tale of Finn and Hildeburh, and of the events leading up to the fight at Finnsburg."

The Official Cat I.Q. Test: Find Out How Smart Your Cat Really Is

By Peter Mandel '79; Harper Perennial (a division of Harper Collins), New York, 1991.

This book by Peter Mandel includes multiple choice questions that you can use — right in your own home! — to test your cat's intelligence, and place it on a continuum that begins with "severely retarded (forgets how to meow)" and tops out with "genius (solves ethical dilemmas)." A sample question: "In order to wake you up, your cat: (a) meows quietly; (b) knocks things over; (c) sits on your head or chest; (d) starts brewing coffee." One point is awarded for each (a) response, and four for each (d) response, with the highest total indicating the smartest cat. Mandel, his publisher tells us, lives in Paris with his wife and their cat, Chuck.

Spin

By Donald Everett Axinn '51; Station Hill Press, Barrytown, N.Y., 1991.

Spin is the first novel by Don Axinn, author of four books of poetry. The book records the loss and eventual recovery of Edward Slavin, whose parents are killed in the crash of a small plane piloted by his father. Set in the American Southwest, the book chronicles Slavin's struggles in a world that seems to offer him little consolation, and his journey to self-realization. Middlebury's Jay Parini has called the book "an affecting novel of high energy and ambition — a quintessentially American story." Axinn has been a participant at the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference. He is a real estate developer and an avid pilot.

From Here to Maternity: Confessions of a First-Time Mother

By Carol Weston, M.A. Spanish '79; Little, Brown and Co., New York, 1991.

From Here to Maternity, Carol Weston's third book, is a first-person portrait of what it's really like to have a baby. Weston covers the entire route, from conception to pregnancy to birth to motherhood, considering along the way how any or all of those can change friendships, and marriages. She also talks about a mother's career conflicts, a father's "provider panic," and how every parent swings from overwhelmed to overjoyed, and back again. Weston is the author of *Girltalk: All the Stuff Your Sister Never Told You* and *Girltalk About Guys: Real Questions, Real Answers*, and writes frequently for magazines, including *Cosmopolitan, Redbook, Parenting* and *Seventeen.* Of her new book, writer and humorist Dave Barry has said, "Anybody seriously interested in having a baby should read this book. As opposed to actually having a baby."

Russian at a Glance: A Phrase Book and Dictionary for Travelers

By Thomas R. Beyer Jr. (Russian); Barron's Educational Series, Inc., New York, 1991.

If a trip to the Soviet Union is on your summer agenda, this book by Tom Beyer might come in handy. Beyer is the C.V. Starr Professor of Russian, dean of the Russian School and chairman of the Russian department at Middlebury. His book is another in a series published by Barron's and offers the phrases and words that a traveller most often needs for a brief visit to a foreign country. The book highlights terms particular to the Soviet Union, as they would be used in situations that tourists would most likely encounter. It's also a handy size, to fit most any pocket, and is covered in travel-proof plastic.

country doing readings and appearances in support of *Garcia Girls*, Alvarez says she hasn't had as much time to work on new projects as she'd like. The grueling tenure process made writing difficult this spring. Further, she says, there was a realization that while "people love you to have written, they don't like you to be writing. Writing is solitary, and it can make you irritable."

Alvarez, who enjoys the English and writing classes she teaches at Middlebury, says she has to watch that her writing doesn't become too academic and anemic. "Sometimes you have to climb down out of your own head," she says. "You don't want to write the perfectly teachable story."

Can Julia Alvarez go home again? "It's hard as hell for me, and for my sisters, to fit in when we return to the island. We're considered so American, with such strange ideas. We're not considered to be 'settled down.' For them, a woman having a job isn't settled down." That said, Alvarez does plan to return to the Dominican Republic as often as possible, and perhaps even live there again someday.

"I lead such a privileged life here," she says. "When I go back I see the problems that are there — this is a Third World country we are talking about, you know? I feel a mandate to pay back and serve. What is a life for?"

Another thing about home, she says, is that "people know you there, and they're always assessing you. It's wonderful and difficult at the same time.

"I'm happy belonging to both worlds."

Dwight Garner '89, an editor at Vermont Times, *writes about books for* The Village Voice, The Boston Phoenix *and* The San Francisco Bay Guardian. *He is a frequent contributor to this magazine.*

Not far from the old house lies the cemetery where John Chipman and Ann Story are buried.

If the walls had ears ...

This oldest house would have stories to tell about a town's history

By Debby Hodge '60; photos by Erik Borg '67

The house stood at the bend of Three Mile Bridge Road in the southernmost part of Middlebury, in an area called "Farmingdale." It was low, broad, and white with black trim. There were two front doors, each opening into large, square rooms. In front was a "For Sale" sign.

"How old is the house?" I asked the real estate saleswoman.

"Oh, it's old," she replied.

"How old is the house?" I asked the owner.

"Oh, it's old," she said.

It wasn't until a few days later, after I'd moved in and met the neighbors across the road — who happened to be the ninth generation of Seeleys to farm and live there — that I heard the words, "That's the oldest house in Middlebury."

It's reasonable to ask why the oldest house in Middlebury should sit so far from the center of town. In fact, in a state where you can find yourself still sleeping beneath flannel sheets in late May, it's also reasonable to wonder why our early pioneers headed north to Vermont in the first place.

But north the settlers came, and Middlebury was chartered on November 2, 1761. Soon after, three men from Salisbury, Connecticut, claimed Middlebury as their home. First came John Chipman, who in 1766 chopped and cleared about six or eight acres in the wilderness. The spot he chose was near where the Middlebury River and Otter Creek meet, an area that's not too far from present-day East Middlebury. However, he didn't settle there permanently at that time. The first actual settler was Benjamin Smauley, who built the first log house in the same area, in 1773.

A stone monument, partially covered by weeds, its engraving worn, marks the spot of Smauley's first house. It lies along what is known today as "Creek Road," a road that meanders along Otter Creek until it emerges on Route 7 in town. Of course, there wasn't a Route 7 in 1776, and we can only imagine what the three Salisbury pioneers found here. More than likely, they found virgin forest, glacial moraine, bear, catamount, deer, turkey, Indians, and Tories — and cold, cold winters. The only sounds were those of nature, and the echo of the work done by their own hands.

At about the same time, a mile south in Salisbury, two members of the Story family, Amos and his son Solomon, were making a pitch, and the two families became acquainted. When Amos was killed by a falling tree, young Solomon returned to Salisbury, Conn., and got his mother, Ann Story, and his brothers and sisters to return to the area to start anew. Ann Story is probably the most legendary woman pioneer in the state of Vermont. The July 4, 1860, Vermont Quarterly Gazetteer, in a section written by George A. Weeks, Esq., notes that "Mrs. Story, nothing daunted by the death of her husband, soon developed those wonderful characteristics of body and mind which rendered her so remarkable a person in the early history of the town. She entered in person into all the labors of the farm and performed an important part of the political moves of the community in which she lived. She dug a cave into the west bank of Otter Creek in which she remained concealed with her family during the nights, hiding from Indians and Tories, until the most danger-

ous period of the Revolutionary War was past." Legend also tells us that Ann Story not only concealed her family in the cave, but also rescued a pregnant woman who had been kidnapped by the Indians, and hid her in the cave, too. In 1792, the widow Ann Story married Benjamin Smauley, himself a widower by that time.

Meanwhile, Gamaliel Painter, who had married John Chipman's sister Abigail, and the John Chipman family settled with their goods and chattels in an area along Otter Creek, near the Smauley cabin. Painter did what he knew best. He began surveying, laying out farms and marking off the future highways of the area to make a town. But, before the new town could materialize, the surveying was cut short with the news that the British were coming and advancing in the direction of Middlebury.

The Smauley and Chipman families returned to Connecticut. Painter, a recognized political leader, sent his family back, but stayed on himself, joining Ethan Allen, Seth Warner and Remember Baker, and worked as a spy. However, the war got too hot for even Painter and he, too, left the area.

At war's end, between 1783 and 1784, Smalley, Chipman and Painter returned to the area where they had first settled. Everything, except for Chipman's barn, which had been constructed of very green timber which could be neither burned nor chopped down, was gone. (The barn, in fact, stood until the 1950's.) Chipman then built himself a handsome brick house.

Painter, on the other hand, had barely begun a frame for his new house when a land dispute arose over the boundaries between Salisbury and New Haven. The surveyor general, in rechecking the area, moved the south line of New Haven 40 rods north and the north line of Salisbury as many rods north. The result: Painter was left with but 30 of his original 200 acres. The proprietors granted Painter the privilege of resettlement on the east side of the falls and thus the actual town of Middlebury was born.

The College magazine, then published as the *Middlebury College News Letter*, in its March 1937 edition, actually proposed that, "Had Painter remained at the south end of the town, it is not at all unlikely that even today the wind-blown 'Seeley District' and the River Road would be lined with residences, churches, and small town stores, with the College spread out in some isolated field."

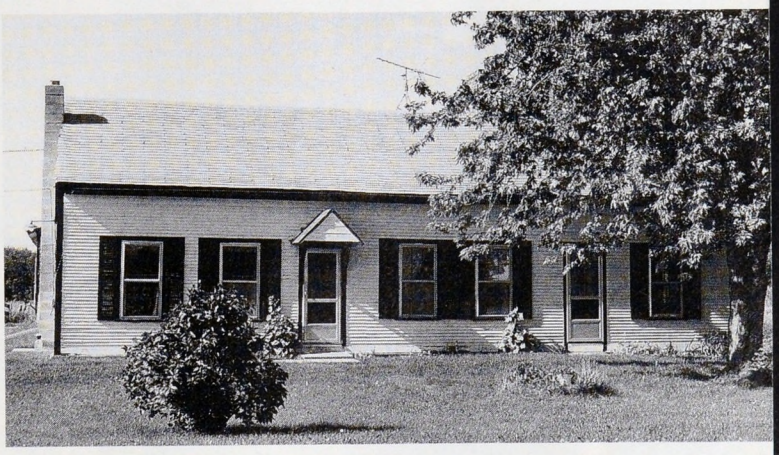
The great brick Chipman place burned in 1829, the year of John Chipman's death. His pioneering spirit was to be remembered later, in 1866, in a Middlebury bicentenniel celebration, which took place near the site of his original home. It was then resolved by the Middlebury Historical Society that the first clearing, "made 100 years ago within the limits of the town, should be commemorated, and the spot chosen was the Seeley Farm, where 'the first pioneer made the first clearing and spent most of his life.' "

Before the Chipman place became known as the Seeley Farm, however, it was owned for a brief period by John Ripley, a Middlebury businessman who had always wanted to farm and, especially, had wanted the Chipman place. His daughter, Julia Ripley Dorr, a writer and a member of the illustrious Cambridge group that included Emerson, Holmes, and Longfellow, wrote a little book for her children to keep as a record of her family, called *A Book of Remembrance*, in which she describes the farming segment of her young life.

After the death of her mother, she had lived with relatives in New York City. When her father, who remarried the daughter of John Hastings Warren, bought the Chipman Place she returned to Middlebury. "The brick house had burned down shortly before and was a heap of blackened ruins," she wrote in her book. "Speedily establishing grandfather Nathaniel in what had been the old farm house just across the road from the brick mansion, Father left him in charge of the removal of the debris and the preparations for rebuilding.

"Of the journey back to Vermont, I remember absolutely nothing; but when we got there we went directly to grandfather Ripley's — on the Chipman place, as I have said, but soon to be known by another name. The house was low, broad and brown, with red trimmings. There were two front doors, each opening into a large, square room with a bedroom attached. The one at the right was assigned to us, and the first thing father did was to have shelves put up on one side for his beloved books. They made a grand showing for those days.

"That spring there was a wonderful freshet, Otter Creek not only overflowing its banks, but flooding the whole intervale. We four children — i.e., my little uncles Joshua and Erastus, and my small aunt Fanny — were greatly excited when a stage-load of passengers en route from Montreal to Troy, caught in the flood, were brought to our very door in boats. Among them was a querulous dame whose ohs! and ahs! whose signs and groans and exclamations of dismay and disgust I have never forgotten. One would have thought she considered herself to have fallen among thieves, or at least among Choctaws. Neither have I forgotten her extreme condescension when, seated at last in a comfortable chair before the open fire in our sitting room, her eyes fell upon the shelves, and she announced that she had not expected to find such an array of books in a country farmhouse."



While no longer brown with red trim, the house still has its two front doors.

The Ripley family settled down to farm life for the next eight years, but Ripley proved to be more of a businessman than a farmer and the place was sold to the Seeley family, who hold the farm today. The area has been known as the Seeley District as the generations of Seeleys took hold. The area acquired the name "Farmingdale" as one of Julia Ripley Dorr's better known works, a story that took place in a "small brown house," was titled "Farmingdale."

It's 5:30 a.m. There's not a sound in the old, low, broad house with two front doors. I rise, open the refrigerator, which subsequently starts running, run some water into the coffee pot, which makes the water pump come on, start up the electric coffee maker, turn on the furnace, and turn on the radio. Outside a Seeley tractor warms up.

It's 1991.

Coming to grips with the Holocaust

Fifty years later, evil of such enormity still challenges Judaism, Christianity — and humanity

By Rabbi Ira Stone

A child is dead. At the side of the crib a mother weeps; a father stands silently, tears running from his eyes. Over and over again the mother repeats the word: "Why?" She is inconsolable, angry, rebellious. She curses God even as she stumbles through the steps of the funeral; she hears little of the ceremony. At the traditional mourning house she is planted on a low stool and feels as though she will never rise from it; the ritual prohibits bathing, the use of mirrors or cosmetics. Good. She has no reason to maintain the facade of civilization. The death of her child has destroyed all such concerns. A day passes, a second day, a third. The mourning bench becomes harder and harder, more uncomfortable. The discomfort of her body increases. It slowly takes the place of the pain of her loss at the forefront of her consciousness. Slowly, she recognizes the faces around her, their familiar words and worlds. She begins to want to live; she must leave the dead behind. Never to be forgotten to be sure. She will light a candle for her child each year. She will fast and sit on a mourner's stool again to revisit her pain. But she will also rise and live, for she desires life.

Rabbi Ira Stone, from Philadelphia's Temple Beth Israel, delivered this year's Holocaust Remembrance Lecture at Middlebury on April 11. The lecture was sponsored by Middlebury Hillel, the chaplain's office and the departments of history and religion.

• Out of her grief, her confrontation with death, may come a renewed commitment to life. Along the way her anger will recede. She will never know why her child was lost so soon, but she may come to recognize the rhythms of life and death more acutely. She may find the fear of loneliness, which is the fear of death itself, the fear of oblivion, belied by the fact of consolation in community. She may adopt one of a number of attitudes which allow her to see briefly beyond death to reunion. And in consolation, community and reunion, she may experience meaning. She is not alone. She is a human being created in the image of God, the same image reflected in innumerable other faces. Loneliness is banished, death or the fear of death is conquered. Faith is restored.

I begin with this scenario to illustrate two points concerning the Jewish community's response to the Holocaust and perhaps the response of the non-Jewish world, also. First, that if the death of one child shakes the foundations of a mother's universe, we cannot begin to imagine what the deaths of one million children do to the universe of a million mothers. Nor can we conceive of what the deaths of five more million sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, fathers and mothers, aunts, uncles, cousins of all ages, do to the collective soul of mankind. No, we cannot begin to imagine, but our experience as individuals who are members of our own microcosmic family universes tells us that at the very least this event must produce a wail, a wish to join the dead in their oblivion, a dissolution of meaning and a raging fear of death itself. In short, grief on a scale which is difficult to fathom. This is my starting point: the phenomenon of grief.

Second, I describe the process by which one mother comes to grips with death because in doing so she is guided by ritual and in the course of her recovery she rediscovers and reconnects with the very ritual which was there to guide her at the outset. Yet in her appropriation of the ritual she changes it subtly to have it meet the specifics of her tragedy. This is my second starting point — my starting over point, if you will — and the theme of my talk. Discovering meaning in ritual, and what happens when you don't.

Holocaust Remembrance Day, Yom HaShoah, is a secular Jewish holiday. Not only in America, but throughout the Jewish world, Yom HaShoah has not produced any of the observances that would mark it as religious. Certainly, religious Jews observe the day, religious authorities sanction it, but they observe it with the secular part of themselves, even if they don't admit that such a side exists. We do not fast; no liturgy has been developed; no scroll or scripture tells the story; nothing from the Torah is read; neither the Prophet's words of consolation nor of condemnation are chanted. In America, we do not observe the day where it falls on the calendar. Like good Americans, we move our holidays to more convenient times, in this case Sunday, not Monday. We hold parades, candlelight marches; we hear speeches, little children read their prize-winning poems and exhibit their prize-winning drawings. It could be Memorial Day or Labor Day or the Fourth of July of an earlier era.

It is not Tisha b'Av, the ninth of the Hebrew month of Av on which we still sit on the ground, fasting and chanting lamentations over the destruction of the second Temple in Jerusalem 2,000 years ago. It is not Pesach, the festival of the Passover on which we continue after perhaps 3,000 years to celebrate the power of God to effect salvation by recounting both that saving act at the Red Sea and the abominable slavery which preceded it. For many people, the fact of the Holocaust itself, the enormity of its evil, renders a religious response impossible. For them the question — What meaning can be constructed out of those events? — is itself obscene. They reject the possibility that any sort of God they'd care to relate to could have been involved in such an unmitigated horror. Others have indeed heard a voice emanating from the death camps. The commandment, "Thou shalt survive, thou shalt not finish the job that Hitler began," outshouts any sense of a voice yet emanating from Sinai. For both, the Holocaust is the beginning of Jewish theology and in being so it is the end of Jewish theology. For by definition no theological structure can assimilate these events; not premodern theology and not postmodern theology, either. We are Jewish because of the Holocaust, but the Holocaust can have no meaning. Hence to be Jewish has no meaning. Hence Holocaust Remembrance Day is a secular Jewish holiday. For secularism is our mode of expressing life which has no transcendent content.

To live as a Jew a life which has no meaning is patently foolish. Hence the percentage of Jews willing to live such a life is decreasing. That there is a temporary upsurge in fundamentalist Jewish affiliation does not skew this proposition. As long as that fundamentalism also cannot theologically assimilate the fact of the Holocaust, adequately account for it, lend it meaning as expressed in liturgy, that fundamentalism proves its irrelevance and its hold on people will wax and wane based solely on other sociological factors. Yet it is the fact of the Holocaust itself that renders theology silent, we have said. It is the fact of the Holocaust itself which destroyed that way of organizing our experience of the world, traditional theology, which might guide us out of this tautology: The Holocaust destroyed faith, thus faith cannot account for the Holocaust. Thus we are stuck with speeches and candlelight parades to lend voice to our grief. Or we dedicate our lives to an arcane, meaningless ritual only that it might survive despite Hitler.

Neither of these alternatives are acceptable to me and more importantly both are based on a tragic fallacy. The assertion that the Holocaust destroyed traditional theology is untrue. It was dead long before the advent of the Holocaust and, in part, the proof of this assertion is the unavailability of traditional faith to deal with the event to begin with. The dearth of liturgy, the inability to either subsume the Holocaust among the other important moments of Jewish time or to create a successful new Jewish time to handle it is the reason for the continuing meaninglessness of the Holocaust, not its result. The Holocaust has emerged as the scapegoat for contemporary secularism to account for itself. A scapegoat that hides the deeper sources of contemporary alienation from meaning and therefore blocks an understanding of those sources, especially on a popular level, simultaneously blocking a critique of those sources which might in fact overthrow their influence and allow for the Holocaust and every other evil of contemporary life to be welcomed back into the community of meaning. That might allow for grief to proceed to healing.

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The task, then, is to explore why faith-bereft Jews could not possibly have been expected to get on with grieving, whether what impeded their faith is in fact still valid, and how the process might be restarted, either by sweeping aside false impediments to faith, or by discovering new roads to faith around what were, in fact, valid impediments.

The roots of the theological problems associated with the Holocaust go deeply into the history of religion. The modern preoccupation with the question: Why do bad things happen to good people? does not prove that we are the first generation to experience tragedy. In fact, that notion, which insults so many prior generations of Jews, is itself a part of the problem of modernity. At the heart of our problem is the question of Divine Providence. And at the heart of the problem of Divine Providence is the bifurcation between the necessities of folk religion and the insights of the religion of the spiritual elite. The solution to the problems of evil that sufficed for the simple folks have never been solutions for the elite. But with the birth of modernity in the enlightenment, a hybrid personality began to emerge. A hybrid unable to deal with the horror of the Holocaust's message. Let me describe this hybrid creature in more detail before attempting to elucidate the message he is missing.

Before the enlightenment, science and religion were united. The natural world, including the nature of man, was understood as a prerequisite for any understanding of God. This operated on two levels. First, the content of nature, its complexity and order, pointed, for medieval and ancient man, to an intelligence beyond his own who had brought such a world into being. I shall not get into the myriad proofs for the existence of God except to say they are and were superfluous. The existence of God made sense based on one's experience of the world; the proofs came later. The denial of the existence of God also makes sense based on one's experience of the world. Both are beliefs. More important than the content of natural science for faith,

however, was its methodology. It was taken for granted that one needed to bring to the study of nature the highest level of intellectual apparatus and that the study of natural science was a necessary prerequisite for the study of "Divine Science" in that it assured that these same high levels of intellectual standards would be brought to this study. They called it metaphysics — after physics. The reasons for the divorce of science from religion is not my present concern. But among the results has been the debasement of intellectual rigor in religious matters. What had once been recognized as mere folk religion has established itself as religion per se. The simple notion that the good person must be rewarded and the evil person punished according to their understanding of these terms is not new. It is old and has long been rejected by serious religious thinkers. Maimonides, for example, would characterize such theology as idolatry — worshipping ourselves instead of God. I cannot venture here into describing, for example, Maimonides notion of the working of Divine Providence and its relationship to freedom of choice, but I mean merely to suggest that he had such a notion and it was created in the face of catastrophes as painful to the common idea of God's justice in his generation as the Shoah is for us. I suggest, further, that it is theologically more troublesome to us than other tragedies may appear to have been to other generations because in those days religious leadership was willing to assist their folk to transcend the idolatry of simple notions of personal reward and punishment, while today religious leadership shares, by and large, the same simple theology as the folk, and is therefore disillusioned.

The crisis of faith supposedly engendered by the Holocaust is much more seriously a crisis of context. The responses of the Jewish religious community, the secular Jewish community and the Christian religious communities must all be evaluated in the light of this crisis of context. I will briefly examine the latter two and then the former, the area of my concern.

The Holocaust can be viewed as minimally three separate events. It is an event in the history of Christianity; it is an event in the history of Europe; it is an event in the history of the Jews. As an event in the history of Europe it has no value, neither negative nor positive. It's importance is measured only in terms of the self-understanding of the participants. For Germans, it represents a political blunder, a military misappropriation of resources and a breach of commonly held secular morals. For the Jews, in this secular context, it was the trampling of their civil rights under accepted canons of international law, it was their victimization on irrational racial grounds, and it established their moral superiority vis a vis their oppressors. But one cannot help but feel that the characterizations are in part dependent upon who won and who lost. Germany was not the first nation in history to attempt to extirpate a minority within its borders. The genocide of Native Americans, Armenians, African slaves or even victims of Hiroshima and Nagasaki have all been compared to the Holocaust, the comparisons misleading for many reasons, but had America lost the war the Japanese may well have related to us on the basis of the crime of atomic power; had America's natives regained their land, the white settlers might have been seen equivalently as Nazis. That white America does not anguish more over the stain of slavery is not easily explained in moral terms. Who won and who lost is far more germane. Secular history has very unstable moral moorings to tie a meaning onto any act, let alone one of this magnitude.

As an event in Christian history, the Holocaust is ambiguous and its memory remains ambiguous. It is an indictment of those elements of Christian teaching which actively fostered a contempt for Jews which in no small way contributed to the ability of the Nazis to succeed in pursuing their program. To the extent that any Christian teaches or preaches today those same scriptures of contempt, their response is inadequate. Thankfully many thoughtful Christian preachers and teachers are struggling valiantly with this tradition, learning at the same time that they too have allowed the religious dialogue to sink to its lowest level over the course of centuries. The Holocaust is a major event in Christian history because it radically challenges a major piece of the puzzle of Christianity, namely the relationship between Christianity and Judaism. If Christian teachings could in any way be implicated in such a crime, and they can be, then those teachings must be untaught. I've always believed the Holocaust is a greater theological problem for Christianity than it is for Judaism for this reason.

Yet Christianity has an ambiguous relationship with the Shoah because it can claim with some degree of truth that Nazism was a perversion of Christianity, a rejection of Christianity. From this point of view, the Christian response to the Holocaust has been that it was an expression of the dangers of paganism unleashed. Yet to maintain this position, Christianity must embark on a more far-reaching critique of the modern world, a critique few Christians have shown themselves able to comprehend or willing to undertake. Those Christians willing to ascribe to Nazism the definition of paganism are often themselves enmeshed in equally pagan or idolatrous contemporary causes which place human desire at the center of theology. The orthodox Christian, not unlike the orthodox Jew, demands a God of justice whose justice is to be judged on the basis of human categories without realizing that this very demand is the beginning of paganism. The first Christian response may signal the end of any meaningful scripturally-based Christianity, while the second Christian response may require a more radical rejection of the contemporary world and its values than most people are willing to participate in.

For Jewish theology, the Holocaust came after that theology had already plighted its troth irrevocably to reason. Nineteenth century Jews, especially, had understood that anti-semitism is fundamentally irrational and, therefore, welcomed the seeming ascension of reason as the central mode of human relationships promised by the thinkers of that century. Jews continued to cling to the notion of reason's saving power long after 19th century Europe had tired of it. Jews continued to cling to the notion of reason's saving power until they forgot that religion had always confronted and contained those elements of human personality not susceptible to the power of mere reason divorced from revelation. Jews continued to cling to the notion of reason's saving power in the face of the Holocaust, at once the antithesis of reason and the child of reason applied single-mindedly to natural science and technology, unaided by the application of the constraints of faith. Jews continue to cling to this notion now, 40 years and more since the Holocaust, and have no context in which to view the Holocaust other than one which denies it meaning on account of its inability to be understood by the same intellectual framework which in part caused it. Many Jews remain committed to the intellectual framework that allowed for their oppressors to thrive.

Is an authentic religious, Jewish response to the Holocaust possible? Can Yom HaShoah become a religious observance? Not in the present religious climate. The problem is not the enormity of the Holocaust, but the enormity of the degradation of religious thinking in the modern world. Having accepted an infantile notion of God as the only one possible, we should not be surprised if it cannot handle our adult concerns. Is there a way to change the climate of religious thinking such that it might be adequate to provide a context for Shoah? Not without being willing to undertake a radical critique of the entire modern enterprise. Yet here there is some hope. At the very least, Yom HaShoah ought to be able to function as the one day each year we allow ourselves, nay, we compel ourselves, to scrutinize the civilization modernity has spawned. Ritually, it ought to be a day, not unlike a Shabbat or festival, in which the obvious benefits of modern technology, the technology of destruction, are eschewed. Perhaps it ought to be a day when no motors are used and we reflect on the numbers of people who would have been spared had the Nazis not had motors to deliver their gas. Perhaps railroads should cease operation while we reflect on the number of people who would not have reached the camps without the efficiency of German railways. Perhaps we should gather in synagogues and read the portion in the Torah which describes the Tower of Babel. We should reflect on the fate of men who would be God.

And then the least we could do is plant ourselves on mourning stools and wail, like the mother I described earlier. Wail for the dead and for the human evil that killed them; wail for a world that replaced God with man, then blamed God for acting like a man; wail for a world that, having seen where it may well be going, insists on going there still and blames a straw-God for not stopping it.

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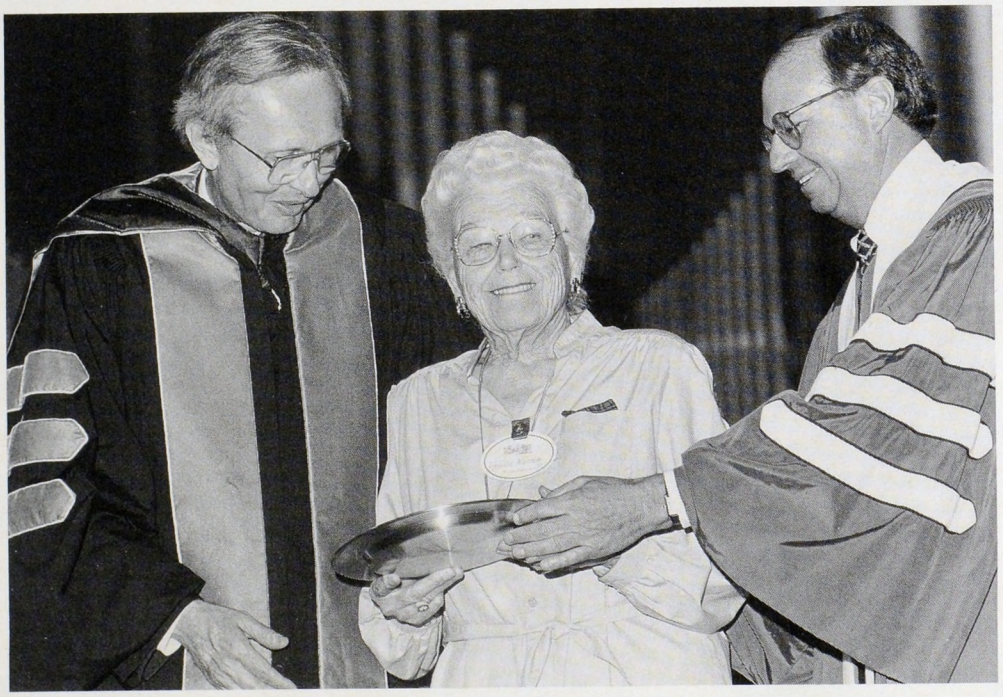

Warthin and Ingalls receive MCAA's Alumni Plaques

Virginia Whittier Warthin '33 (top photo, with President Timothy Light and MCAA President Bill Kieffer '64) and Les Ingalls '41 (bottom photo, with Topsy Wadlund House '41) received the MCAA's highest honor for service to the College — the Alumni Plaque — at this year's Reunion Convocation on June1. Ingalls and House were also at least partially responsible for a terrific 50th Reunion for the Class of '41, which had a high percentage of its members back at the College, and which also set an all-time record for Middlebury with a reunion gift of more than $2.8 million. Also honored with an Alumni Plaque this year was Fred Neuberger '50 (see the inside front cover of this issue).

From the MCAA

The annual meeting of the MCAA will be held at Middlebury on October 5, 1991. Among the items on the agenda: a change in the election process, which would lengthen the voting period for alumni officers, to give more alumni a chance to vote. Ballots had been due May 1, but would now be due May 20.

FAMILIES

NEW ARRIVALS

A son, Jacob Alexander Allen, joined Elisse Ghitelman and **John S. Allen** '68 on March 7, 1991.

A son, Mark Thomas, joined Rosemary and **Bill Carlough** '72 on September 25, 1990.

A son, Stephen B. Hirsh, joined Margene and **Richard F. Hirsh** '74 on March 10, 1990.

A son, Jonathan Vandegrift Eldridge, joined **Joan Vandegrift** '76 and **Richard Eldridge** '75 on January 23, 1989.

A son, Colin Moran, joined Candace and **Rick Hill** '75 on February 10, 1991.

A son, Timothy Joseph, joined Paula and **Robert Bruns** '77 on July 19, 1990.

A daughter, Melanie Jean, joined Renee and **Todd Ellison** '77 on November 28, 1990.

A son, Jesse, joined Avis and **Paul Aaronson** '78 on February 28, 1989.

A daughter, Cyana DeNevers, joined Collette and **Court Chilton** '78 on February 8, 1991.

A son, Ian David, joined **Jerry** and **Betsy Bradley Coughlan**, both '78, on May 1, 1990.

A daughter, Elizabeth, joined Ray and **Mary Beth Haberkorn** '78 on December 4, 1989.

A daughter, Anna Charlotte, joined Ellen and **John Caffry** '80 on May 31, 1990.

A son, Nicholas Edward, joined Kelli and **Bob DiLisio** '80 on October 23, 1990.

A son, Stuart Bradford, joined Dan and **Betsy Weatherill Fram** '80 on November 25, 1990.

A son, Justin Nathaniel, joined **John** '80 and **Marcy Parlow Pomerance** '81 on January 2, 1991.

A daughter, Carrie Alyse, joined Nancy and **John Amato** '81 on October 3, 1990.

A daughter, Candace, joined Craig and **Susan Ross Powers** '81 in September 1990.

A daughter, Chloe Rebecca Davis, joined Becky and **Rob Davis** '82 on November 19, 1990.

A son, Landon Joshua Hosmer-Quint, joined Ellen Hosmer and **Andy Quint** '82 on October 23, 1990.

A daughter, Caelin McMenamy Sheahan, joined Casey and **Tara McMenamy-Sheahan** '82 on June 29, 1990.

A daughter, Emily, joined Tom and **Kathy Connor Neiley** '82 in November 1990.

A son, Tyler Harris, joined Jeffrey and **Ellen Harris Swiggett** '82 and sister Kate on December 3, 1990.

A daughter, Kate, joined **Joe** and **Kim Cochrane Cosgrove**, both '83 on February 3, 1991.

A daughter, Molly Ellen, joined **Mark** and **Jeanne Hammond Larsen**, both '83, on March 10, 1991.

A daughter, Sarah, joined Ann and **Tom Steinle** '84 on January 30, 1991.

MARRIAGES

Joyce Rohr '52 and Olfert Voss on June 29, 1990; 775 Pleasant St., Boulder, CO 80302.

Jennifer Hamlin '72 and Tracy Church on July 7, 1990; 11151 Summerfield Road, Petersburg, MI 49270.

Carole Ryder '78 and Gary White on September 8, 1990; 79 Lakeside Drive, Shrewsbury, MA 01545.

Monica Donnelly '81 and Peter Godwin on August 18, 1990; 57 Melton Court, Old Brompton Road, London SW7-3JH, England.

Jean Epps '81 and Marc J. Jacobson on May 5, 1990; 6506 Callander Drive, Bethesda, MD 20817.

Margie Higgins '81 and Dale Cox (U.C.F. '76) on November 2, 1990; 969 Haas Ave., N.E., Palm Bay, FL 32907.

Laura Cassedy '82 and Rene Bernier on August 18, 1990; 1733 Queens Lane #124, Arlington, VA 22201.

Jennifer Johnson and **Beau Coash** '82 on June 15, 1990; Box 131, Lincoln Center, MA 01773.

Joan McKenna '82 and Larry Hatheway in June 1989; 4603 Sinclair Ave., Austin, TX 78756.

Laurie DeLater and **Brian Weeks** '82 on December 29, 1990; 300 Main St., #3-G, White Plains, NY 10601.

Tucker Jones '83 and Michael A. Coombe on May 26, 1990; 3526 Mooney Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45208.

Lori McChesney '83 and Don Sandri on September 14, 1990; 636 Tina Way, Hayward, CA 94544.

Susan Wysoki '88 and **Jonathan Josephy** '84 on May 27, 1990; 4701 Willard Ave., #723, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

Michele White '87 and **Nathan Miller** '86 on October 20, 1990; RD 1, Box 79B, Middlebury, VT 05753.

Theresa McCoy '87 and **Jim Ferrari** '86 on June 24, 1989; 60 Inner Drive, #N26, St. Paul, MN 55116.

Elizabeth Hill and **Dave MacGowan**, both '86, on August 4, 1990; RR 2, Box 800, Waterbury, VT 05676.

Heather Pierce '86 and Christopher Kingston ('81 Boston College) on September 29, 1990; 149 Dodds Court, Burlington, VT 05401.

Amy Beckwith and **Greg Lupica**, both '87, on August 4, 1990; 355 Angell St., #10, Providence, RI 02906.

Elaine Chanute '87 to Paul Berg in July 1990; RD 6, Pink House Road, Sewickley, PA 15143.

Sandy Getzendanner '87 and Michael Blake in October 1990; 1615 N. Burling St., #1R, Chicago, IL 60614.

Shannon Seaton '87 and D.J. Boyd on February 10, 1990; 400 Lakeview Drive, Hancock, MI 49930.

Caroline Brokaw and **Rob Tucker** '87 on September 8, 1990; 70 Pierrepont St., #4F, Brooklyn, NY 11201.

Angela Howland '90 and Gary Rhodes on August 25, 1990; P.O. Box 13, Newport, VT 05855.

THE SCHOOLS

ENGLISH

Scott Travis Hitchison (M.A. '87) gave a poetry reading in February in Gilford, N.H., where he is a teacher at the Gilford Middle-High School. He has introduced creative writing into the curriculum and has acted as adviser to the award-winning student newspaper and literary magazine. In 1990 he received an MFA degree in writing from Vermont College, where he is teaching in the writing program this summer. ...**Larry DeBlois** (M.A. '90) is one of 50 nominees for the *Readers' Digest* Heroes in Education Award. He teaches creative writing at the Maranacook Community School in Readfield, Maine. ...**Ann McClusky** (M. Litt. '73) has been awarded the Edward Phelps Lyman Professorship at Champlain College in Burlington, Vt., where she has taught English and writing since 1969. The professorship is awarded to a senior faculty member who demonstrates dedication to students and the college through a record of excellence and service through teaching and advising. ...In Philadelphia, **Stephen R. Lawrence** (M.A. '51) has launched his own communications consulting firm, Stephen Lawrence Associates, following a 33-year career in public relations with CIGNA Corp. ...**Dora M.J. Maillara** (M.A. '80) has a new last name, Maillara-Tomalonis, since marrying George Tomalonis on June 17, 1989. She's now living in Royal Oak, Mich., and has been directing plays at the Academy of the Sacred Heart in Bloomfield Hills. Her new address is 3135 Coolidge Highway, Apt. 201, Royal Oak, MI 48073. ...**Catherine Griffiths** (M.A. '80) has been promoted to program coordinator by Essex Community College. She will administer a workplace literacy program at Martin Marietta Corp. through a federally-funded program which will serve as a national model for adult basic education programs in business and industry.

FRENCH

Carl Blumenthal (M.A. '76) is the director of community and economic development for the city of Long Branch, N.J. He is a founder of the Environmental Housing Coalition of

New Jersey, of Art and Ecology of Metro New York, and of the Community Land Trust of Long Branch. ...**Lyn Kirkconnell** (M.A. '69) writes from Sao Paulo, Brazil, that she is getting to know the people who live in her new area of mission. "I have come to admire and love the Brazilian people I have met so far, their sense of struggle and perseverance in the face of growing economic austerity and social violence, their sense of humor and ability to celebrate key moments in life and their sense of the interrelatedness of mind and spirit and body as they express themselves so beautifully in word, action and motion." ...**Lawrence D. Kritzman** (M.A. '70) has been awarded membership in L'Ordre des Palmes Academiques, an academic equivalent of the Legion of Honor. ...Asylum Arts of Santa Maria, Calif., has published *Aurelia*, by Gerard de Nerval, in a translation by **Kendall Lappin** (M.A. '41). ...Last winter, **Tim Spearin** (M.A. '90) offered classes on the history of French painting, in French, at the Penobscot School in Rockland, Maine. ...**Edward Bourque** (M.A. '55) has retired from the Fairfield (Conn.) school system after 41 years in education, 27 of those in Fairfield. Joining the Fairfield school administration as a foreign language consultant in 1964, he was instrumental in strengthening the foreign language program in the elementary schools. He moved on to be administrative assistant for supervision, assistant superintendent of personnel and then assistant superintendent for instruction, the position he held from 1976 until his retirement.

GERMAN

Paul Jagasich (M.A. '83) has written a book about his experience swimming the English Channel in 1988, at the age of 54. *Two Faces of the Channel* gives a personal account of his intense preparations for the swim and the difficulties he encountered along the way, culminating in a record time of 12 hours and 26 minutes. ...**William C. Yanson** (M.A. '77) has been appointed director of public relations at Berry College in Rome, Ga. He and his wife Michal have two boys, William C. Jr. ("Craig"), 6, and Dillon, 3.

ITALIAN

Michael Francis Xavier Hinkley ('86) was ordained into the Roman Catholic priesthood on January 13, 1991.

SPANISH

The first female principal of Hamden (Conn.) High School is **Judy Philippi** (M.A. '69), who was once a student at Hamden High. She has an undergraduate degree and a graduate degree in administration from Southern Connecticut State College. Her first administrative post was as director of foreign languages for the Hamden school system. She then served as assistant principal and associate principal of the high school. Her goals include building an integrated curriculum and improving communication among the 140 faculty members and the 1,500 students. ...**John F. Kennedy, Jr.** (M.A. '88) has been named resident manager of the Providence, R.I., office of Kidder, Peabody and Co. ...**Gwendolyn Barnes-Karol** (M.A. '78) teaches Spanish at St. Olaf Collage, where a recent profile in the college magazine noted her proficiency-oriented instruction, her co-direction of the Hispanic Studies major, and her award from the Joyce Foundation to study Hispanic literature written in the United States.

OBITUARIES

1929

JEANNE LOW, M.A. French, 85, of Manchester, Conn., on January 7, 1991. Born in France in 1905, she came to the U.S. in 1921. She received her undergraduate education at the University of Paris and at Bates College. Her career as a French teacher included 32 years at Manchester High School and three years at the Chaffee School in Windsor, Conn.

1933

HILDA C. DENOOD, M.A. French, 83, of Holyoke, Mass., on March 5, 1991. A graduate of Smith College, she also studied at the Sorbonne, the universities of Grenoble, Florence and Geneva, the Instituto Menendez Delayo in Spain, and Harvard. She taught French for 28 years at Williamsburg High School and later at Hampshire Regional High School.

1938

MARGARET WHEELER, M.A. English, 87, of Waterford, N.Y., on November 16, 1990. She received a B.S. degree from Russell Sage College, and taught science for 42 years in New York state. She was a Fulbright exchange teacher in Australia in 1959-60 and toured the U.S. for a year as a member of the Clare Tree Children's Theatre. She also composed two children's musicals and had two volumes of poetry published.

1938

DOROTHY E. HOOD, English, 94, of Hartford, Conn., on March 13, 1991. She retired in 1962 after teaching English for 42 years, most of that time at Weaver High School in Hartford. During the school year 1936-37 she was Hartford's exchange teacher in England, teaching at St. Paul's Girls School in London. During World War II she learned to fly and was a member of the Civil Air Patrol.

1939

HAROLD D. COURTEMANCHE, French, 79, of Hudson, Mass. A graduate of Harvard, he was a teacher at Hudson High School from 1936 until he retired in 1968. After his retirement he became a catalog librarian at the Hudson Public Library, where he worked until his death.

1941

VIOLET SCHROEDER, M.A. English, 85, of Willimantic, Conn., on November 22, 1990. A graduate of Denison University, she taught English at the Hampton Institute, the University of Southern California and the University of Connecticut. She also served as head of the documents department at the University of Connecticut Library.

1945

GERMAINE AROSA, French, 88, of Essex, Mass., on February 5, 1991. The daughter of Hilda Roosevelt Arosa, a soprano with the Opera Comique, she was born and grew up in Paris where she studied dramatics, specializing in French diction, and attended the Sorbonne, where she majored in language arts. In 1936 she came to the United States and gave recitals as "Diseuse," lecturing in schools and clubs around the country. She became a citizen in 1944 and began a teaching career which included positions at Abbot Academy in Andover, Mass., the Longy School of Music and Boston University's College of Liberal Arts. She later returned to France to teach at the Fontainebleau School of Music and Fine Arts directed by Nadia Boulanger. In 1933 she received the "Prix d'Excellence de Diction et de Comedie," an award created by Napoleon for artists, writers and teachers. In 1967 she received the "Chevalier dans l'Order des Palmes Academique" for her contribution to French culture abroad.

1950

JOHN J. LENIHAN, French, of Lowell, Mass., on November 10, 1990. A graduate of Boston College and a veteran of World War II, he taught English for many years in the Lowell school system.

1953

FIDELIA DUNCAN, M.A. English, of Phoenix, Ariz., on January 2, 1991.

1956

JOSEPH NORMAN LACERTE, M.A. English, 62, of Alpine, N.Y., and West Palm Beach, Fla., on March 2, 1991. A graduate of Boston University with a bachelor's degree in journalism, he did graduate work at Ohio Wesleyan College and at the Sorbonne. He taught English for many years at Richfield Park High School in Alpine, N.J., and had also worked for Harcourt, Brace and Jovanovich Publishing Co.

1960

DORIS M. HAYNES, M.A. French, 77, of Daytona Beach, Fla., on January 26, 1991. A graduate of Brown University, she taught for 38 years in the Providence, R.I., schools and was a Fulbright exchange teacher to England in 1954.

1961

DANIEL D. OLIVIER, M.A. French, 65, of Andover, Mass., on March 7, 1991. After graduating from Haverford College, he studied at the Sorbonne and then taught at the Chatham Hall School in Virginia, the Cassidy School in Oklahoma, Chestnut Hill Academy and the Germantown Friends School in Philadelphia, and Wilbraham Academy in Massachusetts. He taught at Phillips Academy in Andover from 1966 until the time of his death. The co-founder of the school's year abroad program in Barcelona and Rennes, he was also co-author of *A Thousand and One Pitfalls in French.*

1970

TIMM TERRY SOLDWEDEL, M.A. French, of Paris, France, on December 24, 1990. A graduate of Brown University, he was employed by the Honeywell Bull computer company in Paris for 20 years.

1973

WAYNE ERDMANN, M.A. German, of Frankfurt, Germany, on June 16, 1990.

1986

LEIF C. WALDNER, French, 24, on December 6, 1990, in an automobile accident in Sweden. After his graduation from Wabash College in 1988, he worked in investment banking in Paris and Munich and for BMW in Munich. He had been admitted to the Graduate School of Business at the University of Chicago, where he planned to begin his studies in 1991. He was fluent in French and German and had conversational skills in Dutch. His father writes that Leif foresaw great opportunity in the European community and hoped to be part of the creative and dynamic growth that he viewed in the making.

FACULTY

MICHEL GUILLOTON, on February 8, 1990. He taught in the French School from 1958 until 1970. The Guilloton connection with the French School began in 1932, when Michel's parents started teaching, and continued as his father, Vincent, served as director from 1946-1962.

THE CLASSES

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Julius Kroeck (Elsa Holmstrom), 376 Central St., Acton, MA 01720.*

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Allen C. Clifford (Catherine Robbins), 15 Carver St., Brandon, VT 05733.*

I have finally heard from a member of the Class of '23. **Esther Langwill** writes that she was one of the 100 alums who attended the reception for our new president, Dr. Timothy Light, on January 24 at the Connecticut Historical Society in Hartford. Of the 100 present, one was from the Class of '23 and two or three were from the Class of '90. Visiting with Dr. Light, hearing his talk and meeting old friends combined to make a very enjoyable evening. Esther adds, "We all feel most fortunate to have Dr. Light as our 14th president."

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Frederick M. Meek (Amy Hunt), Box 447, Kennebunkport, ME 04046; telephone (207) 967-2440.*

Ruth Eddy Pratt writes, "I used to visit family in Needham, Mass., but I didn't go this past year. I guess I am getting old. Some of my family visited me at Thanksgiving and gave me a picture show of places they saw in their three weeks in parts of Europe. I enjoyed my trip at home via their trip up mountains!" Ruth did visit some family near Lake Erie in the fall and went with them to a pumpkin farm: "You never saw so many pumpkins! I sat in the car and watched people coming and going while my grandchildren picked out their own pumpkins—the boy, of course, took a big one and the little girl chose a little one just her size." ...**Carolyn Griffith Tarbell** traveled extensively last summer and fall with family members. She reports that she was "gleeful to be camping at my age" in a trailer park in Colorado. She adds that her son, John, is already talking about Arizona in the summer of '91, which will of course include Carolyn. She continues that "Christmas festivities Vermont style are fun. The Order of Eastern Star had a roast beef dinner for 85 of us, about half of them being children, and had a beautifully decorated two story tall tree with gifts for everyone." ...**Stanton Harris** wrote from Annapolis where he spent Thanksgiving with his daughter, Beth. Beth's husband, Ben, was called for service in the Persian Gulf and was assigned to the *Iwo Jima* as an oral surgeon from his post at the Naval Academy. "After a three-week journey they arrived off Qatar and Ben settled down to what started out to be a boring routine. But unwanted excitement occurred on October 30 when high pressure steam lines burst in the boiler room killing six Marines outright and fatally injuring four others. Ben drew the assignment of escorting those wounded to the nearby hospital ship, *Comfort*, where all the wounded died shortly. The ship is still in dock for repairs and Ben is able to call home quite frequently." After Stanton completed his Harris family history book, he purchased a Continental Airline one-year passport and set out to visit his "extended Harris family," which took him from family to family, to children and grandchildren, nephews and nieces, including the "grands" and "greatgrands." He concludes with the apt question, "How is that for an 88-year-old family patriarch?" ...**Helen Cleveland Elder** had two hospital experiences last year. In spring '90 she had to have the right carotid artery "cleaned out," but was home by Easter. Then after Thanksgiving, she had an operation on the base joint of the middle finger of her left hand, "as it was locking on me and I didn't want to get stuck. As a result I found how much one uses the left hand. Stitches out now and I'm a bit more agile," she reported in a Christmas note. ...**Helen Laforce Henshaw** writes, "Life the same here with joys and sorrows. But creakier! My chassis, I mean, not life." ...In his Christmas note, **Clarence H. Botsford ("Sam")** reports, "I have made a good recovery from my broken hip of two years ago. The doctor says no more need to see him! However, my skiing days are over. I did cut our little grass in the summer, but no more driving a car." ...To all who read this column, please remember that your secretary, **Amy Hunt Meek**, planned to move about May 1 to the new address listed at the head of this column. She will be eagerly watching for news from all her classmates. The column for Midd '24 will be vacant without you! (And no, the President doesn't bother us, since he is at one end of town and we are at the other!) ...A report of the death of **Phyllis Dorothy Wright Lewis** on March 2, 1989, has reached the alumni office, but with no obituary material. There has been no success in making contact with

HIGH NOTES

Francis S. Irons '26 was the first recipient of the Montpelier Rotary Club's Distinguished Citizen of the Year Award on February 9, 1991. The award recognizes unselfish service to the citizens and community of Montpelier through significant contributions to the public good.

Avis Collins Fleischer '32 has been a volunteer for several years at the regional office of Heifer Project International, an agency which provides animals and training for economic and nutritional improvement. On the occasion of her 80th birthday, friends and relatives threw a luncheon in her honor and presented a check to HPI for nearly $1,300. The money will be used for a special animal project in Peru, a country in which she has long been interested. Avis also received the "Volunteer of the Year" award (Northeast region) from HPI in 1990.

Verna George Bain '40 has long been a serious walker. Since retiring from educational administration in San Diego, she has found even more time for walking, including more than 3,000 miles in one three-year period in various European countries, plus extensive walks in Australia and New Zealand. As president of Walkabout International for the last two years, she has also been planning trips for the other 900 walkers in that organization.

Ralph Crawshaw '43 was named Physician of the Year at the annual meeting of the Multnomah (Oregon) County Medical Society. He has also received the prestigious Doctor Benjamin Rush Award for Citizenship and Community Service from the American Medical Association.

Harold Hollister '44 and wife Mary raise pheasants, quail, partridge and sweet corn on their game farm and hunting preserve in Wilmington, Ohio. In the fall, he spends a lot of time in the smokehouse, smoking pheasants over green shag bark hickory. Smoked pheasant is a delicacy much in demand at Cherrybend Pheasant Farm during the holidays.

Jojo Kittell Gallagher '55, a recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, has now received the New York STANY Fellow's Award honoring teachers who have served with distinction as science educators in New York State.

Wendy Buehr Murphy '56 recently had her book on garden designs, *Beds and Borders*, published by Houghton Mifflin.

Photographer **Sally Brinkmann Blaser** '65 exhibited her work in the Abernethy Room of Middlebury's Starr Library last February. The subjects of the photographs in the exhibit were people in the central highlands of Guatemala. In Denver, she facilitates "Children's Legacy Workshops" for families in which a child has a life-threatening illness. The families create a family portrait (montage-photography-mixed media) that "expresses their truth about the way they relate to each other and communicate with each other."

A Fulbright fellowship will allow **Gary Bevington** '66 to lecture at two German universities on the world of the American Indian, American Indian literature, American civilization, and the structure and sociolinguistics of American English. Bevington is a professor of linguistics and coordinator of International/Intercultural Studies at Northeastern Illinois University and a part-time faculty member at the Native American Education Services College in Chicago.

Robert Calder '68 is taking part in the president's Executive Exchange Program, while on a one-year leave from Virginia Electric and Power Company. He has been assigned to NASA's Office of Commercial Programs, helping to promote the development of commercial space technology.

Phil Verre '74 has been appointed director of the Hudson River Museum in Yonkers.

Steve Genereaux '83 is one of three doctors supplying medical care to 22,000 Yupik Eskimos in the middle of the Yukon-Kuskowin Delta area of Alaska. For a glimpse of what practicing medicine is like 50 miles east of the Bering Sea, turn to the 1983 Class Notes.

Stuart Johnstone '86 has published a book, *Mountain Biking Near Boston: A Guide to the Best 25 Places to Ride*, which includes directions to trails from Boston, a rating of the trails and locations of nearby repair shops.

Paul Jagasich (M.A. German, '83) has written a book, *Two Faces of the Channel*, about his record-setting swim of the English Channel in 1988—at the age of 54.

any family member. If any '24 classmates were in touch with Phyllis or know any details about her from college days, or over the years, please contact the alumni office or your class secretary so that an obituary may be written for the magazine. We would appreciate it very much.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Donald D. Fredrickson (Dorothy Johnson) 199 Central Avenue, Madison, NJ 07940, and Mrs. Arthur A. Headley (Dorothy Tillapaugh), 648 Forest St., Apt. B, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827.*

COLLEGE CONFERS 140 DEGREES AT 125TH COMMENCEMENT—CLASS OF 1925 LARGEST EVER TO GRADUATE. The words fairly jumped at me as I opened the paper which was carefully folded in a small package that had just come in the mail from **Evelyn Plumley Adams**. In an accompanying note Evelyn wrote, "Here is a *Campus* I found in North Hero when I was there with Emily recently. Perhaps you will find something interesting in it for your column." Did I!! We are most grateful to you, Evelyn. Thank you. ...All else was forgotten as I scanned the headlines, then I settled down to read. This treasure had to be shared, so presently **Dot Johnson Fredrickson** was hearing all about it on the phone. ...In this *Middlebury Campus*, June 17, 1925, other front page headlines announced PORTER HOSPITAL AND FRENCH CHATEAU DEDICATED WITH FITTING CEREMONIES and COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS BY ATT'Y GEN. SARGENT and PRESIDENT MOODY ADDRESSES SENIORS IN BACCALAUREATE. A picture of the Chateau, three columns wide, occupied a prominent spot. In a small space, under COMMENCEMENT DINNER, is recorded, "Alumni, seniors and honored guests taxed the facilities of the gymnasium at the Commencement dinner this afternoon. The Commencement program will close with the President's reception at seven this evening and the senior ball at nine, which will be followed as in the past years by a chapel service for seniors at Mead Chapel at four in the morning." ...Then I really settled down to read about us, the Class of 1925. Not only were we the largest graduating class to date, 80 men and 60 women, we were also smart! This *Campus* reports an unusually large number of seniors attained high scholastic ranks during their four years in college. **Beacom Rich**, Men's Valedictorian, was the first in several years to receive a degree Summa Cum Laude. Eight class members received degrees Magna Cum Laude. They were **Ruth Collins**, Women's Valedictorian, both Salutatorians, **Thomas Carlson** and **Alice Sargent, William Brookins, Horton Buckley, George Jaggard, Lillian Ranquist** and **Katharine Mix**. I was amazed to learn that more than a fifth of the rest of us, 29, graduated Cum Laude. Receiving B.S.s Cum Laude were **Emma Belcher, Arthur Connor, Ralph DeGroff, Lucia Goldthorp, Henry Happ, Lois Hodge, Thomas Jacob, Richard Rapport, Dorothy Reed, Herbert Riegelman, Mary Weatherhead** and **Jesse Yeaw**. Those receiving B.A.s Cum Laude were **Olivet Beckwith, Iva Brooks, Oscar Cooley, Ruth Dodge, Doris Eddy, Emile Holley, Eunice Hutchison, Dorothy Johnson, Helen Miller, Dorothy Saltmarsh, Helen Sheldon, Alton Spencer, Isobel Sutherland, Dorothy Tillapaugh, Lelia Wallace, Marion Wolcott** and **Janette Woolsey**. Also announced were the recipients of Departmental Honors. Seventeen class members were awarded High Honors while another 29 received Honors in their departments, several being winners in more than one field. ...Were we "grinds," our noses always in our books? Not so! *Campus* items report a variety of activities which are going to "miss us next year." Among sports stories is this anent the season's final baseball game. "It was Middlebury's game from start to finish—with **Jack Witham** pitching almost perfect ball." In another story we learn, "Graduation Weakens Athletic Teams. Twenty lettermen receive diplomas." Then "The football team which made a record that will remain in Middlebury memory loses more of its players than any other sport" and lists Capt. **Klevenow, Papke, Riegelman, Hollquist, Lobo, Chapin, Carboy, Kilbride, Cass, Yeaw, Leary** and **Fredrickson**. Track loses **Cass, Happ, Whitney**. "From baseball, Capt. **Papke, Kilbride, Klevenow, Banks** and **Witham** will depart," while "tennis will be minus **Rich** and **Adams**. ...Turning to other areas, **Oscar Cooley** received the two Wetherell debating awards. A number of classmates were active in dramatics, both in Prof. Cady's "Play Production" courses and in the College Dramatic Club. The *Campus* announces, MR. PIM ENJOYED BY LARGE AUDIENCE. FOUR PROMINENT SENIORS APPEAR ON PLAYHOUSE STAGE FOR LAST TIME. "After the club's most successful season yet, they will be sorely missed." "The cast of *Mr. Pim Passes By* included Mr. **Rapport**, a leader in Middlebury dramatics, Mr. **Ward**'s work no less outstanding, Miss **Johnson** and Miss **Scott** also prominently connected with the club." Scenery by **Art Bulbulian**. ...Senior women were entertained by the local branch of the A.A.U.W. They were urged to be future members and were told that only graduates of colleges of high standards were eligible for membership. "Middlebury is one of the 145 so recognized out of more than 600." ...CLASS DAY is described in detail. The exercises were held on Lower Campus in front of Old Chapel. The seniors, in cap and gown, marched from Starr Library escorted by marshals Alfred Knowles '26 and Juanita Pritchard '26 and undergraduate girls bearing the daisy chain. **William Long**, class president, welcomed the guests. **Merrick Chapin** delivered the Class History "in humorous vein" (sic). **Malcolm Anderson** gave the Class Oration. **Esther Spooner** read the Class Poem she had composed. The Prophecy was given by **Frank Herrington** and **Ruth Whitney**. **Eunice Hutchison** read her Class Essay followed by **Dick Rapport**'s presentation of the Class Will. Our tree was dedicated by **Herb Riegelman**. President Moody announced Class Honors and reported 22 members had been elected to Phi Beta Kappa. At a Class Meeting, permanent class officers (for five years) were elected: **Marshall Klevenow**, president, and **Katharine Mix**, secretary. ...The editorial of the week, YEARS OF SERVICE, opens "With the graduation of the Class of 1925, Middlebury marked the close of a century and a quarter of service." This anniversary was commemorated at a special vesper service when Dr. Charles Baker Wright, Professor Emeritus, gave the address, A GALA DAY OF LONG AGO, in which he described a "Jubilee Celebration Held in 1850." ...The Commencement Address by Attorney General Sargent and President Moody's Baccalaureate sermon are quoted in detail. Prexy's sermon on "The Relation of Knowledge to Life" is still apropos. ...This *Campus* omitted one important event; there is no story on Step Singing. I can still see us as we gathered on the steps of Pearsons Hall when the about-to-be seniors are given the responsibility of preserving and carrying on Middlebury's traditions, and we sang:

It's just a time-honored custom,
It's just a time-honored custom
For the seniors to sing and the echoes to ring,
From the steps of Pearsons Hall.
It's a time-honored custom,
It's a time-honored custom,
And we cherish it still and we sing as we're leaving
Our home on the hill.

Probably the most remembered of all the songs we sang is:

Where the Otter winds the willow
On its journey to the lake;
Where old Chipman rises proudly
O'er the paths we love to take
In the midst of circling mountains,
Symbols of the staunch and true,
Stands the college that we cherish,
Middlebury, here's to you.

Ever, ever, Middlebury
May we keep thy standards high,
Ever cheer for Middlebury,
May our praises never die.

POSTSCRIPT: The extra-curricular activities of our classmates listed here are only those mentioned in this *Campus*. A quick look at our *Kaleidoscope* shows such a long roster of classmates

ALUMNI CALENDAR

August 7	Boston Harbor Cruise
August 8/11-24	Alumni Tour, The Danube River, with Prof. Michael Kraus
August TBA	Tri-State Alumnae Luncheon, Kirk Alumni Center, Middlebury
August 28-9	Alumni College XVI, Bread Loaf campus
September 8	Alumni Gathering, South Casco, Maine; organizers, Louise Gulick Van Winkle '64 and Davis Van Winkle '63
October 5-6	Homecoming Weekend
October 11-13	Parents' Weekend I
October 25-27	Parents' Weekend II

involved in literally dozens of activities, makes one wonder how the College kept going without the Class of 1925. Some of these activities were *Campus* (of which **Oscar Cooley** was editor his junior year), *Saxonian, Blue Baboon*, Student Council and Student Government, YWCA, musical groups such as the Glee Clubs, string quartet, Choir, College Dance Orchestra, Mandolin Club and the many departmental clubs, honor societies, dramatic club, not to mention managing the affairs of the fraternities and sororities. ...The alumni office has recently received word of the death of **Donald W. Riley**, on February 18, 1989. That office has been unsuccessful in obtaining any information for an obituary. If any of you, his classmates, have such information, please send it to either of the Two Dots.

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Class Secretaries: *Elizabeth Goodale Murray, R.R. 1, Box 396, Perkinsville, VT 05151, and Lindley W. Robinson, 33 Christian Ave., Concord, NH 03301.*

A letter from **Maxwell Brenton** (5 Westwood Ave., #D105, Tequesta, FL 33469) reads: "I am still alive and doing quite well. In July 1990 Eleanor (Jackson) '27 and I were married 65 years. Quite a record! We are living in the same condominium in Tequesta—a bit north of Palm Beach—that we moved to from the Boston area in 1969. We have found it very pleasant living and have made lots of friends." ...As you will recall, **Roland Bennett** and **Hy Frank** were both on the Midd football team which tied Harvard in 1923. Letters from both men were received on the afternoon of February 21. ...Roland (RFD #8, Box 321, Preston, CT 06360) writes that "Helen and I will try to make the 65th. However, inasmuch as I was out of high school four years before coming to Midd, I will be 90 years old during the reunion, so we play it day by day. We live in the country and have two Morgan horses, and another on the way, a pony for the grandchildren, three dogs, several chickens and geese, two sheep and a half-wild cat. That, plus a large vegetable garden, keeps us rather busy. I still play a little golf, but my fishing partner passed away recently so that sport came to a close. I often reminisce about my days with the Connecticut Department of Transportation. Perhaps my most interesting job was Project Director on the bridge connecting I-95 across the Thames River between New London and Groton. It was over 6,000 feet long, with 26 piers, six lanes wide and the deck 165 feet above water. It took three years to build and cost over $100 million. We retirees from the DOT have a get-together luncheon once every month, but as with the Class of '26 at Midd, we are losing them one by one. Again, I hope to see you at the 65th." ...Hy (600 North Boundary Ave., #113A, Deland, FL 32720) regrets that he will not be able to attend our class reunion. "Things are going fair with me at my age. On February 26 I will be 89 years of age and so it goes. I'm up and around but not very active. My wife and I live in a condo in Deland, very comfortable. With her help we get out and about. My hello and the very best to all." ...**Doris Houston** retired from school teaching 30 years ago. Now her main interest is the Art Center in Stowe Village, as we mentioned in our Winter column. She tells us that Peter Miller's photographs of old-time Vermonters is a popular exhibit. The photographer has published an interesting book of interviews he had with his subjects. ...**Betty Goodale Murray** enjoyed a long chat in February with **Clara Park Burnside**, who lives in Wethersfield, Conn. (Betty lives in the Township of Weathersfield, Vt., although her mailing address is Perkinsville.) Always a very active person in community and church affairs, Clara admits to having slowed down a bit. She is still a member of a group of lay ministers who contact lonely and depressed people. She visits with them, takes them to church and tries to bring some happiness into their lives. She still belongs to a bridge club, a book discussion group and a craft group. Following the phone conversation, Clara wrote, "As soon as I hung up, I thought of one more activity which I have enjoyed for many years. I am a member of the Green Thumb Garden Club of Wethersfield. There are 30 members and we have been quite active. We have furnished money for plantings at some public buildings, flowers in the library in the winter, gifts for the Connecticut Hospital at Christmas time, assistance with the Spring Flower Show in Hartford and aid many other occasions as they occur." ...**Dorothy Simonds Palmer** visits **Ruth Mehuron McGill**, who is still in The Four Seasons Home in Northfield. Ruth is the one who helped arrange such a marvelous 50th Reunion for our class. George and **Lib Howard Gordon** announced they had such a good time that they doubted any future reunion could equal it. ...**Francis S. Irons** was the first recipient of the Montpelier Rotary Club Distinguished Citizen of the Year Award which was presented to him at a recognition dinner on February 9, 1991. This award recognizes a person who exemplifies the ideals of Rotary (service above self) and who has served the citizens and community of Montpelier in an unselfish way by contributing significantly to the public good. The health and service organizations in which Francis has been active include the Vermont Heart Association, Central Vermont Association for Retarded Children, Vermont and Washington County Mental Health Association, Vermont Sheltered Workshops and the Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped. He was also instrumental in starting a Senior Meals program 16 years ago in Montpelier. At 89, he helps the "elderly" by driving them to the grocery store, the drug store or wherever their needs take them. Francis and wife Lillian have been married over 50 years. They have six children, 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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Class Secretary: *Howard Cutler, Indian Chase Drive, Greenwich, CT 06830.*

We have two address changes to report: **Francis A. Ives** has moved from Block Island to 139 Holden St., Holden, MA 01520; **Charles O. Adams** has moved from Middlebury to 3870 Paul Mill Road, Ellicott City, MD 21043. ...**Judy Austin** claims nothing newsworthy has happened in her life recently. However, writing in early February, she recalled a telephone conversation with **"Gunny" Elfstrom Carlson** wherein Gunny asked Judy to send her (Gunny's) love to all her classmates. Judy explained that bad sight and arthritis prevented Gunny doing any more writing. ...**Scott Babcock** claims no news is good news and writes that he watches newspapers for Middlebury basketball scores. ...**Eva Menotti Fitzgerald** wrote in February that she was hoping and praying that, by the time this news contribution was printed, "this dreadful war will be a thing of the past!" She closed with, "My best to all. Stay well!" ...**Edith L. "Pete" Markwell Hawley** survived the worst winter in 30 years on "Enchanted Island" (off the state of Washington coast), only to welcome spring by "tangling with my cat and falling," resulting in a broken leg! Ever indomitable, she hoped to be "up and at 'em by the end of March." Living near Whidbey Naval Air Station, with the U.S. naval base at Bremerton nearby, and with younger son Peter a master sergeant in the Air Force Reserve awaiting activation, the Gulf War was ever present to the Hawleys in those tense days in February. "Everyone here," wrote Pete, "has either relative or friend aboard one or the other carriers at Bremerton. We all fly the flag and most have yellow ribbons prominently displayed. God grant the conflict may be over by the time this is published." She closed with all the best from her hospital-type bed. ...**Edna Graham Hinds** was in St. Petersburg, Fla., for two weeks last October, followed by a short visit in North Carolina in November. She much enjoyed the opera *Lackme*, put on by the local opera group in Binghamton, N.Y. She attends Civic Club meetings each month. ...**F. Wallace Patch** wrote that he was sorry he had no good news to report. Sadly, his wife, Frances Baldwin Patch '28, died on December 4, 1990, after a five and one-half year struggle with Parkinson's disease. "Although I might try a visit with our son and daughter in California later this year," he wrote, "I suspect I may ultimately relocate in Framingham, Mass., where we lived for most of the first 55 years of a most rewarding marriage." He closed with best wishes to us all. ...**Halbert E. Phillips** sent his best from Sarasota, Fla., in February: "My health is good, the weather is fine, and my orange trees are loaded with golden fruit and blossoms at the same time." ...**Pauline Cross Whitney**'s guardian-conservator wrote in February that Polly is now residing at the Westgage Manor, Alzheimer's Unit, at 750 Union Street in Bangor, Maine. ...**Rhoda B. Southall** (writing on February 6) says they "experienced the strangest winter of our 29 years in Spencertown, N.Y. The temperature plummeted to 25 to 30 degrees *below* zero, then soared to 50 degrees and higher above. The Little League had already started getting into shape. There were even people playing tennis in February—something unheard of. We continue to feed corn to our wild turkeys and deer and delight in their antics. I think they hide in the hemlocks waiting for us to appear. The warm weather and last year's pear thrip ruined the sugaring season in Columbia County and we shall have to forego syrup on our pancakes." ...**Howard W. ("Cut") Cutler**, your class secretary, went to the pre-Christmas Middlebury alumni get-together at the Princeton Club in New York City. It was very pleasant and crowded and the drinks were good. Such occasions make me increasingly feel that some evening a youngster of 30 or so will come up to me and say, "I'm not quite sure of your name, sir—Methuselah, is it?—but I think we've met before. What was it like to be young when you were young? Or were you ever?"

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Class Secretary: *William K. Donald, 14740 Eden St., Palm Acres at Shell Point, Fort Myers, FL 33908.*

We wish for all of you much summer pleasure and hope you'll share it with us. Write! Call! Your secretary, Bill, has been on the road again on your behalf and enjoying it. "Last January 31, I was privileged to meet Dr. and Mrs. Timothy Light at the Tampa, Fla., home of "Marcie" Garcia '55 and his wife. The late afternoon reception was a most delightful experience for the many alumni and spouses able to attend. (Unfortunately, the necessity for night driving prevented our '28 Florida alumni from attending.) Gordie Perine '49 was 'honor guard' of the day. Dr. Light must have been exhausted after the event, because group after group plied him with questions about our Alma Mater. His quiet responses were most gratifying. As darkness settled in we left with the assurance that the College will be well served by this new president who, at his inauguration ac-

knowledged his predecessors by saying that he was 'standing on the shoulders of giants.'" ...En route to Tampa, Bill enjoyed lunch with **Helen Revere Hatch** in Venice. She is well and as busy as ever, socially and civically. She had had a telephone chat with **Jane French Douglass** who lives just north of Tampa in Lutz. Jane greatly enjoys her friends and her duplicate bridge games. ...On the homeward journey, Bill stopped to see Charles and **Margaret "Tib" Moody Rice** at their winter retreat on Longboat Key, just north of Sarasota. Tib was very much her lively self and Charles continues his retirement hobby of giving informal lectures on Shakespeare. ...Bill attempted to reach **Alice Fales O'Connor** in Kenneth City. He later learned that she had been hospitalized but is now fine and back home with "Charlie," her beloved canine companion. ...During the winter days when Saddam Hussein called on all Arabs and Islam to wage a "jihad," your secretary, Bill, thought of our own peace-loving Methodist missionary/teacher in Islamic countries, **Eva Marshall Douglas**. She and her late husband, Elmer, spent many years in Algeria, Malaysia, Indonesia and other predominantly Muslim lands. On February 25 Bill talked at length with Eva about Desert Storm which had just started. He had visited her last summer while she was steeped in recollections of times past and re-recording her husband's memoirs so as to finish his autobiography. "As Westerners," she said repeatedly, "we have waited far too long to try to understand Islam. It is substantially public and private-life totalitarianism, where Islam is their life. Prayers are mandatory, social activities regimented, families close-knit, males are masters and women live non-public lives (in many areas they are still veiled, in India, in 'purdah'). Allah (God) is all-powerful. Religion is their life, all-important." Eva has enjoyed the hospitality and companionship of many Moslem women, finding them most gracious, tolerant, reliable and lovely in fact and deed. She realizes that people of the Islamic faith would naturally tend, because of the totalitarian nature of Mohammad's teachings and the strict interpretation of the Koran, to lean toward, if not fanatically embrace, the concepts espoused by a strong Islamic leader. Eva was deeply disturbed by the conflict and prayed for an equitable restructuring of the area. Eva, we thank you for your timely insight. ...**Gwen Thatcher Whalley** wrote to thank us for "Jane's Legacy," the outline drawings by **Johnny Walker** of the folks in the 50th Class Reunion photograph (on the reverse side of our Merry Christmas/Happy New Year greeting). She is no longer working at Shelburne Museum, but is busy around her house, "doing many things, including mending for the family." ...From up in Enosburg Falls, Vt., **Marjorie Dewing**, who so much enjoyed traveling (trips to China, the Galapagos Islands and even around the world) writes that she cannot travel in person any more. However, her former tour director sent her notes, photographs and slides of a tour to Antarctica so resourceful Marjorie can tour vicariously, and show the slides and tell the story to the senior citizen groups in her neighborhood. ...Over in Montpelier, **George Eaton** continues to enjoy serving as a volunteer for the Small Business Administration, assisting clients in preparation of prospectus statements for new business ventures in fields in which he has expertise. ...When we talked with **Louise Thompson**, snow surrounded her little house, which is very close to the large family home where her brother, Walter '26, lives. Luckily, he still enjoys shoveling snow; Louise does the driving for appointments and shopping, so it's a fair service exchange. Both enjoy walking. Louise is still involved in music, playing piano duets with a friend for preludes and offertories at church, as well as for social occasions. She is also an accomplished bell ringer with a hand bell group. We remember slipping into the chapel to hear her practicing her organ lessons assigned by Prof. Hathaway. ...Arthur and **"Lib" Stoughton Westfall** are still happy and active in Delmar, N.Y. In September they celebrated their 60th anniversary in Virginia Beach, Va., with their son and daughter, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Lib's church activities include heading the bereavement committee. She and Arthur also enjoy their Methodist Church's weekly evening friendship group, which often includes Fred **Coombs**. Lib reports that he is fine, but all miss **Florence (Philipsen)** very much. ...**Ruth Simmons Dinkel** would love to be in England this summer, enjoying the beautiful gardens as she once did, or in Salt Lake City to hear the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, but more modest trips better fit her current style. However, O'Hare notwithstanding, she ventured to Batavia, Ill., to spend Christmas with her son, John, and his wife, her parents, two grandchildren and two dogs—a jolly group. John has had a fine career with Cerny Labs. Grandson Brian is a computer scientist in Fort Worth, Texas, and granddaughter Cyndy, a travel agent, may yet have her grandmother cruising again. In the meantime, "Simmie" enjoys her Havenwood, Concord, N.H., home. From her apartment she can check to see if Eula Cargill Kelley '29 has her light on and Marjorie **Able, Dot**'s sister, lives just across the courtyard. Simmie goes to the Vermont Midd alumni meetings and keeps in touch with **Vida Waterman Davis** in Chester. ...Walter and **Evelyn Dakin Smith** are back at 136C, Heritage Village, Southbury, Conn., their favorite summer spot. Ev and **Mimi Sweet Coombs** plan to meet for lunch at the Curtis House in nearby Woodbury, Mimi's former home. Ev and Walter are avid golfers, playing two or three times a week at their winter home (Blue Water Circle, Boca Raton, Fla.) and also in Southbury, where they have spent the last 20 summers. ...**Walter O. Gollnick** came to Middlebury two years after his brother, Albert '22, graduated and went on to study at Christ Church College, Oxford University, on a Fulbright scholarship. Wally shared his brother's ability to excel academically and athletically. After graduation he taught his favorite subject, math, and pursued his favorite activity, sports, as high school athletic director and coach in Brandon, Vt., and in several other schools. From 1947 until his retirement in 1970, Culver Military Academy claimed him as a master mathematics instructor and coach of football, track, wrestling and golf. He and Ruth continued to call Culver, Ind., home until his death on December 14, 1990. **Bill Donald** writes, "He was my best friend in college. He was best man at my 1930 marriage to Louise." Wally succeeded Mike Papke '25 as Panther quarterback in his sophomore year. (Mike is forever famous for his touchdown pass to Andy Lobo '25 that tied Harvard 6-6.) Short, stocky and spunky, Wally was famous for his "quarterback sneak," practically through the legs of Irv Keene '27 or Ed Bedell '29 whenever a few yards were desperately needed. (In the backfield were **Nap Blanchette, George Hinman** and **Carleton Simmons**. Guards were **Steve Hendrix** and **Clayton Jones**; tackles, Captain **Gordon Wiley** and **Mike Furbush**; ends **Migs Palmer** and **Hal Whittemore**. What a line!) **Al Leahy**, who was the football team's manager, recalls Wally as quite the sparkplug, quite the talker on the team, not only calling signals on the field, but with upbeat chatter on the trips. Classmate **Hank Ferry** recalls that he sat next to Wally at daily chapel. They used to bet (odd or even) on the hymn number to be selected, the loser to pay for a chocolate float at Calvi's. **Earl Hindes**, Wally and Luke used to play golf on the rather crude golf course in the sheep meadows just over Chipman Hill. Of course they had to avoid hitting the sheep. Wally's B.S. at Midd was followed by an M.Ed. from Marquette and further study at Columbia, Purdue, Notre Dame and Harvard. Wally's wife, Ruth, continues to live at 10 Fleet St., Culver, IN 46511. Walter, Jr., is also in Culver; daughter Judy Council is in Minneapolis and granddaughter, Michelle, is in Washington, D.C. We extend sympathy to them. ...After several years of failing health, **John March** died on January 27, 1991, in Waterbury, Conn., his home for most of his life. "Johnny" (Marchukaitis) was born in Ossa, Lithuania, but grew up in Connecticut. His high school participation in sports benefited Middlebury, as he was our class handball champion, played basketball on class and inter-frat teams and lettered in varsity baseball, all while both studying and working. **Nap Blanchette** recalls that he was a member of the famous spud-peeling crew at Hepburn Hall. John always credited Dean Wiley for helping him keep it all together. John's working career was with Scoville Manufacturing Company in Waterbury, spanning 40 years as an office manager and expediter. He was a member of Waterbury's Lithuanian Club and a devoted member of St. Joseph's Church. He was an avid golfer, playing on his favorite East Mountain golf course. In fact, after his retirement, he and Helen made an annual spring trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C., another favorite playing spot. Mimi, who lived in nearby Woodbury and knew the March family, recalls that John's brothers could count on his help on the Bethlehem home farm on weekends, especially in harvest and applepicking time. Although John and Helen, whom he had married in 1930, were busy with a daughter and careers, we managed to lure them to our 25th class reunion. From that time on they didn't miss a reunion or Homecoming. The festivities couldn't officially begin until they arrived at Maple Cottage up at Bread Loaf, which '28 practically took over each fall. The Midd-Williams away game became another reunion time for the Connecticut neighbors Ruth and Nap Blanchette and John and Helen as they joined Hank and Dot Ferry to cheer the Middmen. Helen continues to live at the familiar address, 267 Circular Ave., Waterbury, CT 06705. To her, their daughter Jeanne Shugrue, their grandchildren, John's sister Eva, and brother Matthew, Stanley and Bart, we express our sympathy. ...Please send happy birthday greetings to **Jane French Douglass** (July 4), **Elizabeth Stoughton Westfall** (July 14), **Elizabeth Hoadley** (July 27), **W. Storrs Lee** (August 3), **Margaret Moody Rice** (August 27), **Marjorie Cross Smith** (August 28), **Marguerite Kent Fitzpatrick** (September 29), **Emily Lobdell Smith** (October 1), **Helen Revere Hatch** (October 23) and **Gwendolyn Thatcher Whalley** (October 30). If you wish an updated Class Directory, please ask Bill to send one.

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Class Secretary: *Dr. Raymond J. Saulnier, 21 Claremont Ave., New York, NY 10027.*

Stillman Kelley, living in Camden, Maine, says he is staying close to home, as indeed most of us are. ...**Mary Crane Kinghorn**, in Middlebury, reports large numbers of grandchildren (5) and great-grandchildren (7) and says she frequently sees **Kay Trask Deedman**, who lives in nearby Salisbury. ...**Lucy Gooding Hutton** (McKerley Health Care Center, 9 Haywood Ave., Rutland, VT 05701) says she visits occasionally with Mary and with **Peg Denio**. ...**Morris (Johnnie) Johnson** operates a farm in Batavia, N.Y., and recalls exploits at Middlebury in athletics (javelin), social affairs (playing banjo in the Fenderson trio for Middlebury

Inn tea dances), with **Bus Waite** on the saxophone, and Sunday automobile touring (in his father's "Straight-Eight" Packard, with guests including Miss Rosevear, Miss Knapp and Bert Nylen '30). ...**Grace Cheney Greene** reports on her fifth Elderhostel vacation and highly recommends Elderhosteling. ...**Ron Burrows** is still involved in antiques in Provincetown, Mass., and unhappy (as I believe he has a right to be) over campus developments involving fraternities. ...**Muriel Harris Malam** says she just came across her M-sweater from Middlebury (hockey on the field below Proctor perhaps?). Charlie '28 died in 1981. ...**Dick** and **Dorothy Dietz Lobban** are ensconced at a health care facility in Haverford, Pa. ...From Towson, Md., **Thomas J. Cummins** reports on a long cruise which included the Straits of Magellan last year. Otherwise he leads "a quiet life, with short trips here and there and bridge with friends." (Knowing something of Tommy's card-playing skills, I feel for his friends!) ...**Katharyn E. Pierce** resides six months of the year in Kirtland, Ohio, and the remainder in Stuart, Fla. She has returned to Middlebury a few times (and liked it) and keeps in touch with **Ruth Rogers Lambert**. ...**Ruth Bly Illingsworth** makes her home happily in the "delightful climate" of Spartansburg, S.C. She recalls life at the Chateau in the 1920s as more exciting than any I had known of or suspected, from the illicit upstairs cooking of chocolate fudge that "trickled down into Doctor Freeman's office" to the distress of a certain Mlle. Bideau. ...**Nelson Sanborn**, whose wife Eleanor died in December of 1989, lives in North Port, Fla. ...**Mac Williams**, also a Floridian (Sarasota), summers as usual in Vermont. ...**Caroline Belcher Bulfinch**, living in retirement in North Fort Myers, Fla., summers still on Cape Cod. ...**Elizabeth Cady Simmons**, who lives in Sanibel, Fla., keeps in touch with **Mary Crane Kinghorn** and (now and then) with **Red Allen**. She has frequent visits from her daughter, Sue Daily '54, son-in-law Dick Daily '52 and granddaughters Diane '77 and Kathy. ...Most distant of all, **Emily White Wilmarth** makes her home with husband Wilson in Fort Collins, Colo., hard by a golf course and close to children and grandchildren. ...Your ever-faithful correspondent continues in New York City, nudging through the press a book on which much work was done, embellishing lectures given at Moscow State University last December and following what goes on in our always mystifying economy. ...Finally, it would be much appreciated if anyone with information on **Kennard Boll** (died February 27, 1989) and **Clayton Gray** (died 1989) would send it to the alumni office (attention Bob Peskin) or to me at the address above for obituarial use in a future issue of this magazine. Obituaries reporting the death of **Mabel Severance Ellsworth, Esther Rushlow Hallet** and **Carline Sparhawk** will be found elsewhere in the present issue.

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Beecher W. Dudey (Helen Kendall), 220 Ash St., Corinth, NY 12822.*

We of '30 are "not doing anything," according to **Myrtle Bachelder**. She reads a lot, lets the TV keep her up to date AND takes daily walks "around the block." ...**Ruth Potter Bode** does no night driving and does not go beyond a 10-mile range. She gets out locally. One of her boys lives very close to Ruth (a two-minute walk) and another is three miles away. These two do Ruth's yard work in the summer months and shovel her snow in winter. Ruth's daughter, who lives in Texas, gets home about every third year. Ruth has "no regrets." ...**John Owen**, our retired Navy man, is active. He keeps in contact with Midd, doing occasional research on his classmates, bringing out old basketball pictures, etc. John hikes in the mountains of Vermont and sees Midd on weekends. John is a tough 1930 man. We can be proud of him. ...**Lloyd Mann** writes that he and his wife celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary a year ago in August. They have sold their house in New York and are year-round residents now of Florida (1336 Woodbine St., Daytona Beach, FL 32114). Lloyd is 88. A bit older than most of us of 1930, he has had two hip replacements and implants after surgery in both eyes. Still, Lloyd, who retired from teaching 24 years ago, seems to be very active. He sings in his church choir. He enjoys his 12 grandchildren and four "greats" and, of course, his five sons! ...**Muriel Johnson Thorn** is fortunate to have most of her family sharing her same address! A grandson, who is a mail carrier, and others live upstairs. A daughter and granddaughter (16) live downstairs. How nice it must be to have family living so intimately! ...**Virginia Knox** seems to be the only one of us who attended an alumni reception at the Historical Society in Hartford in late January. ...We have new addresses for **Jacqueline Clarke Freeman** (645 Rosada St., Satellite Beach, FL 32937), **Helen Huntley Pidgeon** (new box number in the same town: RD 1, Box 134-A, New Haven, VT 05472), **Thelma French Walker** (RR 1, Box 134, Whallonsburg, NY 12936), **Miriam Roberts Rowe** (7300 Dearwester Drive, #105, Cincinnati, OH 45236) and **Clarissa Peirce** (RFD #1, Box 1240, c/o Metcalf, Deerfield, NH 03263). ...**Carolyn Allen** keeps in touch with many of us. She, too, seems to be "holding on." We must all continue to do so.

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Class Secretary: *Mr. E. Parker Calvert, P.O. Box 886, Southwest Harbor, ME 04679.*

All of you who attended our Class Reunion in late May surely agree that it was a fulfilling experience. It was an occasion for a renewal of friendships and sharing of values, the ties that bind us despite the changes, both physical and social, which have come over the decades at our Alma Mater. It was, as **Phil Brewer** so aptly put it, "an assault on Father Time!" There will be more details of that happy event in our next news column. ...For the amusement of the entire class I wish to record in the annals of Class History the following bit of whimsy, authored by **Lucy Bates Saunders**. You will recall from our spring column that, although confined, Lucy has found unending entertainment watching from her window the colony of ducks in a nearby brook. "Duckville (pop. 25, 1989 census) is a very pleasant village on both banks of Trout Brook. Although there is no bridge within the village limits, the inhabitants of the east side have no difficulty getting to the west side because they all swim. It is an integrated community with blacks and whites living in complete harmony, although there is a group of mallards who are unquestionably social climbers. There is even a rumor that they are changing the pronunciation of their name from the traditional MALLard to mallARD, as having a more refined and genteel sound. So far neither the white nor the black quacks have adopted it. It is a pleasure to be able to report that all the ducklings are being well brought up and waggle their tails very nicely when they leave the water. Duckville is a very desirable place to live because all meals are brought in and catered, and Trout Brook offers excellent recreational facilities." ...Classmates, families and friends: Please note that the alumni office is having some difficulty in publishing notices of deaths that have come to their attention. The College receives death notices from a newsclipping service and from alumni and friends, but often without accompanying obituaries. The alumni office seeks obituary material from surviving family members but withholds publication of the death notice awaiting responses which sometimes never come. Please! Even if you have no particular interest in having an obituary published, do let the alumni office know so they can at least publish the notice of death. Information is needed for **Roy C. Davenport, John N. Tweedy** and **Fred B. Williams**.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Gray N. Taylor (Georgiana Hulett), 182 Lancaster St., Albany, NY 12210.*

Ella Congdon Purple attended graduation of two grandchildren: Michael (Phi Beta Kappa) from Chapel Hill and Lissa (Dean's List) from Elmira. Son Bob, a Lt. Col. in the 174th Tactical Unit based in Syracuse, was serving in Saudi Arabia. Ella has finished her turn as Hamilton Library trustee, but continues to do volunteer work at the senior center. ...Whit and **Elsa Smith Beardsley** celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary with an Elderhostel trip to Scotland, England and Wales, viewing Roman ruins and studying Roman influence on Great Britain. Whit preached a service at Trinity College Chapel. Elsa particularly enjoyed a flight home over Greenland and Hudson's Bay to Chicago. ...**Avis Collins Fleischer** writes, "My big event of 1990 was being treated by my younger son to a trip to Peru and, at the same time, my daughter and her husband were adopting Stephen Gabriel as younger brother to Rachel who was also born in Peru. They are both adorable." For several years, Avis has been a volunteer at the regional office of Heifer Project International which provides animals and training for economic and nutritional improvement. Their motto is "Peace begins when the hungry are fed." Our thanks to Gertrude Knight Cleverdon '35 who was a freshman when Avis was a senior at Midd. Gertrude informs us that on February 21, 1991, friends and relatives of Avis gathered for a celebration of her 80th birthday at HPI northeast regional headquarters at Rutland, Mass. The surprise party was arranged by her three children, Steven Crofter, Marty Hurwitz and Warren Fleischer, and their families. Because of Avis's interest in working toward a better world, friends contributed to HPI in her honor and she received a wooden replica of a check made out to Heifer Project International for nearly $1,300, to be used for a special animal project in Peru, a country in which she has long been interested. Avis lives in Barre, Mass., near her daughter, Marty Hurwitz. ...Stew and **Cleone Ford Smith** are recuperating nicely from short hospital stays. Cleone has difficulty with correspondence because of macular degeneration, so Stew serves as her amanuensis. ...**Josephine (Jo) Saunders Taggart** writes that her news "just isn't." However, she did get to Bread Loaf and met President and Mrs. Light. **Emily Smith** stopped in to see Jo, bearing gifts of homemade mincemeat and an old-fashioned homemade raised cake. ...To all the Class of '32 come warm greetings from **Evelyn Clement Green** and Wallace '30. "We are both in good health, though restricted in our activities. It is more than seven years since Wallace's stroke. However, we manage quite nicely in our own home with a little help. Carol and Janet, who are both in Burlington, give us lots of support. Grandson Sean

is in his second year at UVM and David is at the Univ. in Atlanta." Evelyn keeps in shape with gardening, shoveling snow and swimming regularly. ...**Emily Smith** is a volunteer worker in the Manchester, Conn., soup kitchen, sponsored by the area Conference of Churches. About 70 or 80 persons are served lunches and the number steadily increases. Emily and a friend revisited the Pacific Northwest again last summer, driving along the picturesque Oregon coast into California and hiking in Yosemite, Crater Lake and Salem. She continues her active life of local hiking, gardening and cross-country skiing. ...**Madison (Mat) Hess** writes that getting to out-of-town places is tough to cope with because of weather and crowds. So he and Katie stayed in Florida for the holidays rather than going north to Rochester. He declares he prefers swinging the golf club to the snow shovel! ...Retirement is not for **Jeanette Burgess Lane** and her husband, Alfred. She continues to play and teach music. Alfred is busy with engineering and surveying, doing small jobs for friends. ...From **George Emery** and Nathalie (Lewis) '31: "Gray, your venture into Civil War history sounds interesting. My family was touched by the Ken Burns series on PBS. My children's maternal great-grandfather was a Tennessee recruit, and his brother, Sam Watkins, wrote a book about his Civil War service. It was quoted several times by Burns. My career in the National Park Service started at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park. Later I served as superintendent of Petersburg N.M. Park and also at Gettysburg." ...In mid-January, **Gray Taylor** was hospitalized for 10 days for a complete right knee joint replacement. He has recovered nicely and does his "physical torture" therapy faithfully every day. ...**Evelyn Remick Russell, Belle Ingalls Leighton** and **Jane Griswold** send greetings to all their classmates. ...We have new addresses for **Frederick W. Hayward** (4451 Stack Blvd., #8321, Melbourne, FL 32901), **Robert L. Miller**, (9439 North Lake Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53217) and **Elizabeth Lee Goulding** (3737 Bryant Ave. South, #617, Minneapolis, MN 55409). **Betty Brown Hearne** and **William A. Dorn** are both at 8333 Seminole Blvd., Seminole, FL 34642. Betty is in Apt. 532; Bill and Barbara are in Apt. 233. ...We are sorry to report the deaths of three of our classmates. **Ruth (Peanut) Humphrey Perkins** died on January 19, 1991. Her obituary appears elsewhere in this issue. The alumni office has advised us of the deaths of **Giles Elihu Chase** on February 22, 1989, and of **Robert K. Hall** on August 28, 1988. However, the College has not received local newspaper obituaries nor confirmation from next-of-kin. Do any of our readers have information which would be helpful in preparing obituaries for a future issue of *Middlebury Magazine*? If so, please contact the alumni office, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT 05753 (802-388-3711, ext. 5183) or your class secretaries (addresses above).

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Philip L. Carpenter (Helen Easton), 83 Quagnut Drive, Wakefield, RI 02879-4602.*

As we read your Christmas cards we almost felt guilty at continuing to be class secretaries. You are wonderful people and we love every one of you. You truly make our holiday season. ...**Margaret Scott Anderson** is still in the nursing home and loves to hear from and about her classmates. Her daughter says to address her c/o Jean Perry, Box 324, Castleton, VT 05735. ...Dale and **Mim Barber Brown** spent the winter at their favorite Florida vacation spot in Cocoa Beach, returning north by April 1. She wrote on January 17, "Am sending you a copy of **Fred Bryant**'s obituary. You may already have heard of his death, but sometimes news travels slowly. We had had him and Grace over to dinner just before leaving Ithaca and he seemed very well. We are sending a contribution to Middlebury in his memory." In Florida, the Browns were enjoying "sunshine unlimited except for occasional daily passing showers. We hope this weather will continue all winter." In February they planned to cruise to Nassau with their son and his wife and daughter on a ship which "sails out of Port Canaveral, just a few miles north of here, and we watch it each day as we eat our evening meal. Our best to all." ...A postscript to **Fen Buffum**'s Christmas letter said that Mil was back in intensive care with a recurrence of congestive heart failure. We called February 17 and she answered the phone. She was then confined to home and said her principal expeditions were medical in nature. She reports that Fen is an excellent nurse and companion. We understand that he is cutting down on his horse breeding work. Both Mil and Fen send greetings to classmates and pray that some day they can get back to Middlebury again. ...**Bud** and Louise Fleig '35 **Newman** returned to Midd for her 55th Reunion in 1990. After flying his own plane for many years, Bud decided to sell and use commercial airlines. Last June they took a flight to Anchorage, then a bus trip to Valdez, and then they sailed past icebergs and glaciers to Prince William Sound en route to Whittier. There they boarded a bus which rode on a flatcar through tunnels and onto a main highway again to Anchorage. En route they saw "beluga whales in Turnagain Arm and Dahl sheep cavorting like ballet dancers along craggy cliffs." They find Fort Worth "a pleasant and clean place to live." Hank finally retired for the second time in April 1990. He is still doing some consulting and is involved in local aviation matters but has no big travel plans and the telephone has been quieter. They are looking forward to family gatherings with children, grandchildren and a great-grandson on special holidays and other times of the year. ...**Red Page** wrote that his wife's health had improved somewhat. They hoped to travel to South Carolina to visit his brother. ...Dusty and **Dick Roberts** had a fine time at her 60th Oberlin reunion last year. They also made four trips to New Jersey to see Sandia's family and were planning a trip to Kentucky and Iowa in the spring. They also painted the interior and exterior of their house. (Wow!) ...When **Ring Pratt** sent greetings with the hope that everyone is well, he added the following: "I used to think this is a trite saying, but as the years progress it becomes more meaningful. Susan and I spent several months nursing each other (her hip, my femoral artery), but we recovered in time for Christmas." ...Rosemary and **Doug Short** enjoyed their trip to Scotland last year. "We found a warm and comfortable B. and B. near Dunkeld, run by a real Scotch gentle couple. He drove us around their beautiful Tay River Valley, which was my mother's ancestral country. Imagine the surprise of seeing her Steuart coat-of-arms and motto carved into a building stone of a 'keep' dating back to the 1500s!" They were to spend the Christmas holidays in Kansas City with their youngest daughter (who had just received her master's degree as a registered anesthetist at the Univ. of Missouri Medical School) and family. ...Ted and **Lois Lewthwaite Walter** had a tour of the lochs and lakes of Scotland and England in May 1990. After returning Ted had to have surgery on a ruptured Achilles tendon, which later became seriously infected. Then in November Lois had a total hip replacement. The stress exacerbated her diabetes, making her insulin dependent. She wrote, "No Christmas goodies for us this year. We have decided that with both Ted's and my right legs affected, we are carrying togetherness a little too far." ...Tom and **Ginnie Whittier Warthin** entertained family and friends last Christmas for what they hope will be the last time in their house of 40-plus years, as they plan to move to a smaller home in a nearby residential community. Their late fall guests included son Scott and Edie and Gwyndeth Catlin, a recently-found grand-niece who works at Princeton but hopes to return to Yale to finish her degree. ...**Lee Pellett** says he has given up the P.O. Box, so address him at 20 Pierces Road, Unit 42, Newburgh, NY 12550.

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Ruth Ells Crane, P.O. Box 589, Coe St., Winsted, CT 06098.*

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Class Secretaries: *Alma Davis Struble (Mrs. Robert) 1977 Marlboro Road, Kennett Square, PA 19348, and the Rev. Leland Hunt, 10 Murray St., Norwalk, CT 06851.*

When **Natalie Dunsmoor** wrote, she was anticipating Christmas with her niece and family in Bloomfield. She also looked forward to being in her own church on Christmas Eve, singing with the choir. ...**Les Benson** and his wife have been making an 80-mile round trip daily from Dover Plains, N.Y., to Canaan, Conn., to visit his mother, who is in a nursing home. ...**Mildred Aubrey Monagan** sends greetings from the North Country. She and Walter planned to interrupt their quiet life with a Christmas visit to an inn at Lake Placid. After 20 years in Vermont they still love it. ...**Les Evans**' northern address from April 25 to election day is 143 Revere St. Ext., Waterbury, CT 06708; his southern address is 1743 Broadmoor St., Sarasota, FL 34234. Les had surgery for the removal of a malignant cyst from his right eyelid in February. That was followed soon afterward by removal of a cataract on his right eye. His golf game suffered somewhat as a result, but he and Lorraine kept at it despite temporary handicaps. ...Following the example of a number of our classmates, **Wally Boehm** has moved to Florida where his address is 655 Bamboo Court, Marco Island, FL 33937. ...The Spanish edition of **Jean Wiley Zwickel**'s book was awaiting proofreading when she wrote. She continues her prison visitations, some of which are very disturbing. Also disturbing was the fact that she crashed her car. At the moment she feels she'll give up driving and gas consumption. ...**Bob** and Helen Kelley '38 **Stafford** weathered their first winter in Vermont in 30 years. In addition to Bob's lectures at UVM and Castleton State College, to his surprise, he says, he still gets invitations to speak here and there about the country. He accepts, if he is "comfortable with the subject." He is still involved in the educational work of the Carnegie Foundation and is a board member of two non-profit corporations, both with headquarters in Washington. He regrets that he can no longer engage in downhill skiing because of two artificial hip joints, but he and Helen take long walks daily. ...After receiving her degree, **Ruth Stetson Kavanaugh** taught Spanish in the Mount Pleasant School until 1978. She recently spent some time in Luquillo, Mexico, where she enjoyed beautiful scenery and constant sunshine. It also gave her a chance to visit a nephew there who is very concerned for the political and financial condition of his country. Ruth shares her home with her daughter and relaxes with an occasional game of bridge. ...After more than 50 years of studying

C.G. Jung and his followers, **Lee Hunt** has joined the Fairfield County Jung Society, the meetings of which give added impetus to his studies. ...**Betty Coley Congdon** finds the days and weeks seem to follow the same pattern from year to year. She planned a trip to Florida in April, prior to which she was enjoying the activities of a family of muskrats that had taken up residence in the pond near her home. ...**Wy Smith** enjoyed his annual trip to Alta, Utah. He and his companions, including Joe Okarski (**Ruth Havard**'s husband), were fortunate to have 24 inches of new snow during their ski week. Wy's doctor tells him not to fall, that he might break bones and bleed to death, "so I didn't fall," he writes. Wy and Grace spent a pleasant week in January at an Elderhostel at William and Mary. "Excellent program and facilities, instructors exciting." Following the week in Williamsburg, they visited friends in Florida. ...**Dick Cushing** enjoyed a trip to Europe last year which included seeing the Passion Play at Oberammergau. He writes, "Took my walking stick along and it was most supportive of my gimpy legs." He also climbed four mountains during a week in Jackson, N.H., and enjoyed the Fryeberg (Maine) Fair. He continues to sing with a men's chorus, church choir and the Yankee Male Chorus, and planned to spend part of March at the Moody Keswick Bible Conference. ...**Jim Brock** continues with his legal practice, claiming that "I guess I don't know enough to quit." He and Gladys sold their boat, but "made up for the loss" by sailing on the *QE 2*, "the biggest ship I ever saw!" Their voyage took them to several Mediterranean ports before crossing the Atlantic to New York. During the crossing they went through two gale-force storms. "Even in a ship that size, a November gale in the North Atlantic is something!" They were planning to spend part of the winter in Florida, "having given up skiing some time ago." Jim was enthusiastic about our 55th Reunion. "Any of our class who neglects to go to a reunion is missing a pleasant time indeed. ...**Doris Anderson Carlson**'s letter reported Christmas festivities with her many relatives. Her daughter, Carol, and her granddaughter were visiting colleges in New England. Carol came primarily as a delegate from her Colorado organization to attend a land stewardship conference in New Hampshire. Meanwhile Doris sings with the senior center choir at local convalescent homes. As historian of her fellowship group for the past 22 years, Doris was indexing the resulting six notebooks and then planned to resign—22 years being quite enough! ...**Avis Fischer** wrote from Puerto Rico: "The weather is ideal, the flowers beautiful, the sky always blue and matched by the sea, until the wind whips up a white cap or two." ...**Alma Davis Struble** continues to work with Meals on Wheels. She struggles with the sharp cuts in funding that plague both the local drug counseling service and the state M.R. Center, all because of Pennsylvania's fiscal disarray. She also babysits her one-year-old granddaughter occasionally to give her mother a few free hours while her father is overseas. This last activity (and it's active, to say the least) should be over soon. ...Now from your secretaries comes a reminder: We cannot write it and you cannot read it if news does not come from you, so please send a line. Remember your classmates want to hear from all of you.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. James Cooper (Harmony Buell), 30 Glenwood Drive, Brewster, MA 02631, and Dr. Angus M. Brooks, Beaver Meadow Village, 21 Piscataqua Road, Concord, NH 03301.*

Virginia Phillips Whitney visited with John and **Hazel Schmidt Davis** last September while they were staying at a cottage in New Harbor, Maine. The Davises spent three months in Florida last winter. Their new address is P.O. Box 889, Willow St., Lancaster, PA 17584. ...For a welcome respite from a Down East winter, Ginny spent two weeks in February with her daughter, Pat, son-in-law and grandson, Tim, enjoying the warm sun of Tortola Island in the British West Indies. ...**Cornelia Philips Keegan** is happy that granddaughter Rebecca Goldman Taubman '89 and her family have returned from London and are now living in Brookline, Mass., near her daughter, Diane Keegan Goldman '60. Nelie's son, Peter, lives in Cambridge so it will make for fairly easy visiting when Nelie comes east. Rebecca's baby, Rachel, was nine months old at Christmas time. ...Wedding bells literally did ring on April 20 for **Janet Howe Neilson** when she and Charles Adams were married at their local church. Jan says her kids are so happy for her they have gone into orbit. She met Charles when they both worked on the board of the local Meals on Wheels. Charles is a retired banker from the Federal Reserve System in upstate Pennsylvania. They are both very active in their church. Mr. and Mrs. Adams are now at home at Granite Farms Estate, #E213, 1343 West Baltimore Pike, Wawa, PA 19063. Janet is one of six girls—with apologies to the memory of Dean Eleanor Ross (*not* girls, but Middlebury women!)—in our freshman class who graduated from Ridgewood (N.J.) High School. The others include **Hazel Schmidt Davis, Auretta Hanson Herrington, Virginia Rich Woodman, Audrey Keffer Schletzer** (deceased 1956) and **Jean Sawyer Stasse** (deceased 1978). ...Last September, Dan and **Jean Barton Cotton** entertained some old Midd friends at a house party at their home in Cohasset, Mass. Enjoying the festivities were Frank and **Mavis Jones Little**, Russ and **Mary Jane Kevan Philpott, Dode Wall Roberts**, Louise Fulton Mapps '35 and Betts Bryan Sheldon '35 and her husband. Jean and Dan's grandson, a Cornell graduate and a structural engineer with a New York City firm, was married last June. In April, Dan and Jean were embarking from Montreal on a freighter trip to Antwerp. They were spending a week there, then sailing back to Montreal. ...Not many of us can claim the continuity of living in the same house for 45 years as can **Kay Lippincott Clark** of Capake Falls, N.Y. To add to the uniqueness, four of her closest neighbors have lived in their homes from 40 to 45 years. Kay says she leads a quietly enjoyable life. She's busy tutoring a full scholastic course to a ninth grade student with special needs. Kay says he does very well on a one-to-one basis, but would be lost in a regular classroom. One of her daughters lives five minutes away, a son 30 minutes away, and she manages to visit her daughter in Maryland and her son in Wisconsin fairly frequently. ...Max and **Ret Hanson Herrington** are delighted at the news of daughter Nancy's return to the East from California. Nancy's husband, Bill, will be headmaster of Thayer Academy in Braintree, Mass., this fall. ...Please note a new address for **Agnes Harris Taylor**: R.R. 3, Box 8324-5, Heritage Hill, Rutland, VT 05701. ...Last Christmas, **Chris Conley Gifford** flew to Dallas to celebrate her birthday and the season with her nieces and nephews. She also enjoyed visiting other nieces and nephews in Cameron, Texas. Her son has been on medical leave from his job in New York state, due to a serious operation, but expects to be back to work soon. If you were to stop in at the Day Health Care Center at St. Joseph of the Pines in Southern Pines, N.C., you'd find Chris playing the piano, or helping out in many ways wherever needed. ...**Ruth Schaeffer Sawyer** continues her work with the League of Women Voters in Los Angeles, as well as being involved with French groups. She and Charlie attend University concerts and musical events, as well as city events. Their daughter, Joan, and her husband and two sons (ages 7 and 9) live in Irvine, Calif., where Joan, with a Ph.D. from UC/San Diego, is a biochemist at UC/Irvine. Her husband practices medicine. The older grandson astonishes them all at his prowess in chess, holding his own with the best of the grownups. ...**Rebekah Winslow Sears** helps her son occasionally in the office of the fuel oil business which her husband, Leon '34, bought in 1975 and managed until his death in 1982. In spite of a prolonged bout with the flu, Rebekah says she's grateful for her normal state of good health. With her family, she enjoys their summer home in South Hero, one of the islands in Lake Champlain. Living in the same town where she and her husband attended college has its advantages, she feels. She reports that the new art center is coming along well.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Barbara Hopkins (Barbara Gregory), 1021 W. Devonshire Road, Delafield, WI 53018, and Pierce G. Couperus, 58 Shaker Road, New London, NH 03257.*

It was good to hear from **William R. Waite**, though he felt he hasn't anything interesting report. Bill retired in 1977 and in December of that year received an Alzheimer's diagnosis for his wife. He took care of her for six years until she entered a nursing home in Berlin, Vt., in 1983. Bill now lives alone on their tree farm. He keeps busy thinning the hardwood sections for firewood, feeding the birds and hiking around on snowshoes. He also enjoys working in vegetable and flower gardens. Maybe now he can see his way clear to stay in contact. We hope so. ...Bob and **Mary Lou Taylor Stocker** brighten their lives by driving to see their three youngest grandchildren, who "live close enough to spoil." Mary Lou travels "by way of the *National Geographics*" and is editor of the weekly church newsletter. ...**Muriel Voter Williams**'s youngest son, Roger, is in Hollywood, working for a movie producer who has been a customer in his antique business. Muriel is very excited and proud. Roger has had a byline in *Wild at Heart* and has been an extra in *Twin Peaks*. Muriel's life has been saddened by her husband's bout with cancer (lymphoma). He has been retired from Harvard now for about four years. Muriel's latest adventure is receiving a "new knee" with attending exercises. She remains busy as historian of the Voter family and by continuing her freelance photography. ...No one in the Class of '37 is as loyal as is **Erwin (Erv) Warren**. The class secretaries can always depend on news—and *good* news!—from him. Both he and wife Hazel have been quite well and consider this a great blessing. Last fall they took a few trips to Seattle and they are talking of flying east (they had better visit with me!—Mel). The first thing on their agenda is a trip to Alaska to visit their son and his family. Croci were in full bloom at Erv's house and he was pruning his apple trees and talking about mowing the lawn soon. We all hope the Warrens can come east and spend some time. What a fun time that would be! ...**Doris Heald Kendall** indicated how much it means to maintain a close-knit group of classmates after graduation. She says she has never been busier since she retired from teaching than she is now. She does a lot of volunteer work, including driving disabled vets to the VA hospital. She believes that she is the only woman driver, a distinction which landed her on the front page of the *Bridgeport Post* last year. Eleven of her 13 grandchildren live near her which keeps her busy "sitting." She visited me (Mel) last summer and talked with **Red**

Harris while here. ...**Barbara Gregory Hopkins** had some problems with the "long, cold" time of the year. She was ready for sunshine and warm weather. She claims she doesn't have the old "get up and go" but, as her assistant secretary, I don't believe that! We will give Barb a bit of a rest from her duties to the Class of '37, then she must "get going." ...Dr. **Joyce W. Kingsley, Jr.**, wrote a while back to report that (1) the garden was productive and the produce was expected to last "until next seeding"; (2) the Kingsleys played 123 rounds of golf at their club in Alabama between March 1990 and November 1990 (they invariably walk since the course is not hilly) and (3) their 13 grandchildren, ages 25 to 16 months, are all fine. ...**Eileen Whitney Wilson**'s activities were centered on trips each day to the convalescent home where her husband was a patient from July until he passed away January 16, 1991. Help and comfort from family, neighbors and friends and the wonderful letters and cards from Midd classmates have helped her in this sad time. She plans to continue living in her home in Manchester, Conn. She also plans to continue spending vacations in their house on Rt. 7 near Middlebury. ...Not much from **Fred L. Stone** this time, but he indicates that he thinks of us frequently and wishes us well. ...A note from **Dottie Mathison Scott** was written in December '89. Where it has been is not known but it is certainly worth passing on! They are still skiing in Vermont in the winter and enjoying the Cape in the summer. A high point in '89 was two weeks of skiing in the Alps with a wonderful train ride through the mountains into Switzerland. In October-November '89 they went to Australia, New Zealand and Hawaii and spent some time with Hawaiian friends of long standing. In '90 they went to England with the Midd alumni tour and wish that they could do another one. The North Cape, land of the "Midnight Sun," the north of Norway, Lapland, Finland and the Lake District are next. Dottie saw a few New Jersey Middleburyites at lunch last June and they had a great afternoon. ...Joyce and **Marshall Sewell, Jr.**, moved last year from their home of 38 years to an "adult community," in Whiting Station, N.J., on the edge of New Jersey's Pinelands. It's a convenient location with a wide range of services available to residents. "While Joyce hopes to have a garden at our new home (if the herds of deer will let her), I expect to continue part-time writing of retirement and estate planning newsletters for hospitals...and making occasional annual giving calls for friend **Lew Shipman**." ...**Janet Gray Willis**'s new address is 1001 Wilder Ave., #1102, Honolulu, HI 96822. She was looking forward to a late-winter visit from Becki Abbott Brooks '38. ...**Charlotte Colburn Shea** was recovering from gall bladder surgery when writing in early March. The Sheas sold their Lake Dunmore home last August and now reside year-round in Sarasota. They were hoping to spend part of the summer in Rutland, Vt., Charlotte's hometown. ...**Barbara Weaver Street** was the subject of a profile in a recent edition of the *New Milford* (Conn.) *Times*. Noting that she had retired in 1972, the article described the variety of volunteer efforts in which Barbara is engaged. Her town library and hospital, a grade school and her church all benefit from Barbara's energy. She explained her volunteerism: "There's not that much to do in a house with just two people, so I decided I'd better get out of the house." Her teaching career spanned 29 years of English, Latin and French instruction at New Milford High School. For the last seven years, she has volunteered one day a week in a second-grade class, leading a program called "Fun with French." According to Ellie Rittman, in whose class Barbara has volunteered, "The children can't wait to see her—she's like everybody's grandmother."

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Herbert Ellison (Virginia Fischer), Wood River Village, 3200 Bensalem Blvd., #C102, Bensalem, PA 19020, and Bruce Brown, RD 2, Box 167, Hamilton, NY 13346.*

Nels Keables is now a full-time Vermonter, having moved from Toms River, N.J., to RR 3, Box 475-14, Middle Road, Roy's Mobile Home Park 5, Swanton, Vt. He will continue to spend summers at his camp in North Hero. On leaving his former home, he was given a "Welcome to Vermont" party, complete with cake, gift, and plaque. He will be missed by the choir after 10 years of "refereeing." ...Mac and **Doris Fife McGowan** are in the process of moving from Claremont, N.H., to Tampa, Fla. They will spend summers in York, Maine, at their cottage. Mac is recovering from a stroke—"a long process." ...In Buffalo, **Alice Bassett Brown** is very active in the YWCA planning programs, in her sorority, participating in bus trips and contributing to discussion groups. Alice informs us that Scott Norwood, of the Buffalo Bills, donates $200 to a camp for children with cancer every time he kicks a field goal. Alice and Norm are happy to have five of their nine grandchildren close to Buffalo. They travel to California on occasion to see their daughter Janet and family. ...**Herm Benner** has good and bad news. He enjoyed a wonderful family reunion at Jackson Hole Lodge in the beautiful Tetons. A seven-shop minimall which he built at the edge of Kennebunkport has had hard times; the real estate is about one-fourth of its 1986 value. Let's hope economic conditions in Maine improve soon. ...Nothing stops **Paul Buskey** from his tennis competitions! He has put a cancer operation and recuperation behind him and is busy with his tennis associated jobs, district secretary, writing articles, doing rankings, running tournaments, umpiring, sanctioning and making up the 1991 schedule/calendar for all the tournaments in the county. Congratulations also go to Paul and his partner for earning a #14 national ranking in doubles for 1990. ...We send our sympathy to Jean **MacLeod** and her family on the death of **Ken** in late January. A few years ago Ken retired from his dental practice and went to enjoy life in South Carolina. He will be greatly missed by family and friends. ...**Ellen Pierson Manser** continues her volunteer activities in her Pennswood retirement community. She chairs the community's intergenerational committee, serves on the board of the neighboring Newtown Friends School and reads once a week to sight-impaired residents. ...No grass growing under the feet of **Claribel Nothnagle Spamer**! Among other activities she is working on a pilot program on long term care for AARP, representing southwestern Connecticut. She is gathering information from social workers, hospital and nursing home directors and senior citizen directors. She and her son are both having a poem in the anthology of the American Poetry Association. ...No rocking chair for **Eleanor Carroll Mullis**, either! Since July she has been an educational consultant. The U.S. Navy flew her to Charleston, S.C., to experience submarine warfare as part of her consultancy. She was recently selected by the new Republic of Germany to be a participant in a seminar in the Alps this summer. And to top it all off, Eleanor has been initiated into Phi Delta Kappa, an educational honor society. ...**Art** and Beverly Browning '39 **Gilbert** divide the year living half the time in Shelburne, Vt., and half in their summer camp on the New York side of Lake Champlain. Art writes that nine grandchildren, from an Air Force captain to a kindergartner, "like the Wobegon children, are all above average" and fun to be with. Last fall the Gilberts returned to Wilmington and South Jersey for a reunion with W.W. II buddies of the explosive plants and labs. ...Does any classmate have information that might be used by the alumni office in preparing an obituary for the *Magazine* in connection with the death of **Elin Handyside Hoag** back in 1985? If you do, please send it to Bob Peskin at Middlebury. ...A reminder: The *Magazine* is published four times a year. Our deadline is three months before each issue. That's why your news may take a while to see the light of day. But keep it coming!

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Skinner (Ruth Coleman), P.O. Box 52, Danville, VT 05828.*

The plaque under our class tree was in place before the November ground freeze thanks to **Bob Cushman**'s determined efforts with the building and grounds crew. He reports the tree is healthy and growing well. Correan and Bob spent 10 days at Christmas time in Kentucky with their daughter Susan and family. Middlebury did not have enough snow this winter for Bob to take his cross-country skis out of the attic, which was a disappointment. In March the Cushmans were traveling to Davis, Calif., to visit her sister, and continuing to Abilene, Texas, to visit a Navy friend of Bob's. ...**Loring "Doc" Lane** had a great time last summer traveling to Germany, Switzerland and Paris, followed by a visit from their 11-year-old grandson from Philadelphia in August. ...Christmas cards from Tom '41 and **Dede Egbert Bennett, Joe Trask** and **Harriet Barnes Ball** were very much appreciated and brought some news to share. Frank and **Betty Anne Dunning Jones** were busy "cleaning out" for their permanent move in the spring to the Denver area. ...**Arthena Gregg Atwood** spent Christmas with her daughter, Mary, and family in Arlington, Va. She has three grandsons who keep her busy, one in Virginia and two in Rhode Island. ...Life goes on "quietly and pleasantly" for Art '40 and **Eleanor Jeschke Jacques**. Their grandchildren, ranging in age from a freshman at Cal Tech to a sixth grader, keep them in touch with the "younger generation." ...**Tom** and **Gert Bittle Murray** felt the holidays had officially begun when all their family, daughter Martha, husband and grandchildren were at their home for dinner, helping to decorate their tree. In turn, Christmas Eve was spent overnight with the young family, better to enjoy Christmas morning early. ...In January, **Thor** and **Carol Miner Gustafson** cruised with friends from Florida to Los Angeles. While in California they visited son Tim and their newest granddaughter. ...John and **Betty Riexinger Mettler** spent the summer of '90 in Maine and took a trip to Nova Scotia. Betty enjoyed the quaint, old-fashioned architecture and beautiful scenery—"a lot like Scotland." In October, they were back in Charleston, S.C. ...Jean and **Jerry Cole** traveled extensively in 1990, taking a trip to Hawaii, visiting their Gulf of California beach house in Sonora a few times and returning in June to New England and Middlebury for brother "Mole's" 50th Reunion. Flagstaff was too cold early this year, in fact one below zero on the day they moved into "the Valley" for the winter. Some of their trips included interviewing former WASP "girls" for Jean's book, an oral history of the girls in her class at Sweetwater, Texas, which has been accepted for publication. Jerry adds, "We got a new grandson in August." ...The five months of summer find Doss and **Bill Herrmann** enjoying the quiet serenity of small village life in Grafton, Vt., gardening, trips to country theatres, Tanglewood and three

times to Middlebury in 1990, for Alumni College at Bread Loaf, the Spirit and Nature Symposium and President Light's inaugural. Desert Shield mobilization and transportation of thousands of refugees from Jordan kept Bill busy last fall as an airline consultant. Doss and Bill are very happy spending their winters in Virginia, near the College of William and Mary and the Colonial Village in Williamsburg which offer many informative and cultural events. They are a two-hour drive from daughter Nancy and family in suburban Washington. Their two granddaughters, ages 21 and 17, are juniors in college and prep school, respectively. Their son recently moved to San Antonio, Texas, where he is involved in network television. He has a son (7) and a daughter (1-1/2). ...Mary and **Joe Foley** were in Oregon visiting their son and family at Thanksgiving, then traveled to New Hampshire to be with a daughter and a son and their families at Christmas. After that it was on to a golf course in Florida. Spring and summer finds them in Vermont, as "there isn't any better place." ...**Jane Howard Fiske** attended the alumni holiday reception in Middlebury and **Duncan Rollason** was one of the Winter Weekend attendees. ...**Dot Wing Davenport** traveled to New Jersey in January to attend the marriage of her oldest, Merrell E., visiting with her great-grandchildren as well. ...**Betty Letson** and her sister spent a frustrating fall, trying to sell their apartment in Boston. They had their fingers crossed over a prospect in the spring. We do wish them luck. They are anxious to join several friends in a new retirement community in Lexington, Mass. Betty had an overnight visit with **Pat Brewer Chadwick** in Plymouth at which time they went on a whale watch. They saw 10 whales and "as an added attraction met a school of about 60 white-sided dolphins." ...**Roland "Paul" Anderson** enjoys retirement: tennis, golf and a little work. Son Craig is an architect working for IBM in Dallas, traveling frequently to Los Angeles. Craig has two sons. Rolly's wife, Alice, is a writer working on three novels, hoping to publish at least one. At the first of the year he left for the Yucatan to practice Spanish, soak in Mayan culture and the sun! ...**Fred Wheeler** has a new address (though it is not a move): 119 Spring Creek Drive, Pickens, SC 29671. They now have as a permanent guest Ginny's 102-year-old grandmother, who is in good health and sharp mentally, but not as mobile as she once was. It does modify their lifestyle so they're not off for more than a day of antiquing now and then. They did manage a trip to Charleston to see the still-evident unbelievable damage from Hugo. And Fred is still writing articles which occasionally find their way into print, which "keeps this old mind as sharp as this old mind can ever be." ...**Bob Rathbone** wrote from Ocala, Fla., where they took a five-month trial run to play golf, fish and study the flora and fauna of the area. "Old habits and lifestyles have a tight hold" and they looked forward to returning to New Hampshire early in the spring. June should find Bob teaching again at MIT summer program, a labor of love he has continued since retirement. Bob has a problem with chronic tinnitus, but is otherwise in relatively good health. ...Barbara and **Bob Lord** welcomed Christmas time again in Austria, this year in Salzburg rather than Vienna. The countryside was beautiful and the city most interesting. A sleigh-ride in the Austrian hills during a snowstorm reminded Bob of Middlebury. The Lords also went to the sites of the filming of *Sound of Music*, heard some excellent music, went down in a salt mine and up into the Alps near Hitler's Eagle's Nest. ...**Bev Browning Gilbert** was thrilled to have a joint phone call from **Marge Marsh Veronneau** and **Dede Egbert Bennett** on her birthday. Bev misses having Marge nearby in Burlington and hopes for her return. The Gilberts were with a daughter and family in Iowa for Thanksgiving. Their yearly highlights are family gatherings at Christmas time in Burlington and in August at their cottage across the lake. With activities and friends at home to keep them "purring," they seem to have little desire to travel any more. ...A lovely Monet notecard from **Irene Fernandez Anderson** told of their busy year. A two-week summer vacation in Stowe, followed by two weeks in Toulon, France, the sister city of Norfolk, Va. It seemed they rolled out the red carpet and the Andersons were entertained by the mayor as well as in several homes of native families where Irene was happy to be speaking French again. They spent a week in Paris, went to the Senate and to Monet's home. Then they were off to Rome for another week, where they experienced a most emotional and exciting event, having an audience with the Pope. They returned for a reunion with 1,500 Marines for four days. Then they went to Flagstaff to be near their son, Kirk, who had a knee ligament replacement. Back to Norfolk for the dedication of the Jean MacArthur Research Center, at which Irene and Norman had their picture taken with Barbara Bush. Congratulations to Irene for winning the Princess Anne Country Club first flight in golf and the Wives of the Active Duty and Retired Marines Tourney of Stars! Still walking 18 holes! The Andersons spent January and February golfing and sunning in Sarasota, Fla. ...**Ray** and **Ruth Coleman Skinner** had lunch with Sherb '38 and **Marjorie Kohr Lovell** in January and also enjoyed another January day with **Mel** and **Dot Korb Carter**. Although the winter was cold and snowy, they found their home cozy and comfortable. With over a foot of snow on the ground in town and their back yard, they had some good cross-country skiing without the travel or expense of a ski area.

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Class Secretaries: *Bob and Bobbie Plumer Alden, 51 Otterside Court, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

The Midd-Vermont Alumni group hosted an alumni Christmas party at the Kirk Alumni Center in December. Held the same night as the College Choir's Christmas concert, it was a festive start to the holiday season. With one of the fir trees along Chapel walk aglow with colored lights, the campus was as we remember it, except for the lack of snow. (It was a strange winter, with more rain than snow.) ...**Marjorie Poor Doyle** says her life has changed since Reunion. At that time she said she was foolish enough to think that we were living our lives in peace. How wrong! In the '40s it was a husband-to-be and today it is a son involved in a war. She was waiting for mail, listening to briefings, praying a lot and keeping the mail flowing from home. She hoped in the next message to say that life has again changed at her house. ...**Hazel Phelps Stannard** wrote that in August their three sons and their wives gave them a wonderful 50th anniversary open house at a local inn, followed by a family dinner for over 40 people. Sounds like a real gala! Their Midd son, George '64, was married for the second time in October. Hazel is still re-living our great 50th in June. I agree—it couldn't have been better. ...**Frankie Cornwall Hutner** says hi to the group and says she is working on another book, this one on women in the 21st century. She is the editor. In February she spent two weeks skiing in Austria. Lots of snow, sun and big mountains. Her husband, Simeon, is moving his office to Vermont so she expects to be here a lot more. ...**Jane Acker Bolster** says she has no new news except for a most enjoyable reunion weekend. ...**Laura Smith Whitworth** and I hope to meet at one of our grandchildren's Bill Koch cross-country ski races. Her son, Frosty, and my daughter, Shari Galligan Johnson '68, both live in Concord, N.H. Laura really enjoyed Reunion and said that all class members working on the organization of it did a masterful job. ...**Jeanne Gifford Faerber** is really a busy one! She is a volunteer for the Lake County School Board, a secretary for the Central Florida Singles of Lake County, president of Singles of the Lakes, is "on call" for typing for the Marion Community Hospital in Ocala, is taking fun courses at Lake Sumter Community College, enjoys her daughter who lives in Ocala, and is looking forward to a grandson's move to Florida. Jeanne says our class sounds so active. We've been young a long, long time! ...**Lois Whittier Batten** says her life hasn't changed much since Reunion. Fortunately good health permits her to bowl, play bridge, etc., and, come spring, the garden and the golf course will beckon. She's enjoying a new dog acquired since Reunion. The dog keeps her walking and gives her something to talk to. ...**Gordon** and **Peggy Jones Emerson** said that Reunion was a milestone in their lives. In November they went to southern England for about a week and then spent another week in York which they enjoyed. We are sorry to say that on December 1 Peg had a stroke and spent two weeks in Exeter Hospital and another couple of weeks in a rehab hospital. She is now at home as an outpatient, doing well and making steady progress. We are sure rooting for you, Peg! ...**Bettina Ansart Mayo** enjoyed a wonderful trip to France and Switzerland with her daughter, Nancy, in September. She was glad they made it before the war in the Persian Gulf. Her sad news is that her husband, Bill '42, died last October. He had valiantly fought Parkinson's disease for the past 11 years. Please accept all of our sympathy, Tina. ...**Elaine Nickerson Rucho** had exciting news to tell us. After being a widow for over 10 years, she was married on August 6, 1990, to Barney Rucho, a long-time friend. They spend five and one-half months at Dennisport on Cape Cod and the rest of the year in Florida, as she has been doing for many years. She continues to work part time during summers at the Yarmouth, Mass., Chamber of Commerce tourist information desk. She has been answering questions and helping vacationers there for seven years. ...**Jim Cornwall** comments that, after such an enthusiastic class response to our 50th, he was disappointed not to see more of us at Homecoming and the new president's inauguration. At Christmas he and Marge were again in Minnesota with family. While there they visited the All Nations Indian Church (UCC) with whom their church has a "Shoebox of Love" project for the children at Christmas. The visit came at a time when the church was maintaining a vigil for those massacred at Wounded Knee in 1890. There was an uninterrupted tolling on a drum and a perpetual bonfire over the weekend. In March the Cornwalls were off to warmer climes for a few weeks. ...**John Gale** says, "Absolutely nothing new." ...Laicita and **George Cook** drove to Ft. Sill, Okla., after Reunion to help their son, Jon '77, an Army surgeon, get settled in a new assignment. In mid-August, after their return to Vermont, Jon was sent to the Persian Gulf. Their youngest, Heather, has been a graduate student at Tel Aviv Univ. in Israel, also since last August. So they have logged a lot of CNN television time to stay current with world events. ...**Len Halnon** theorizes that *any* response is better than *no* response, so he informs us that he is still "status quo," enjoying family, children and grandchildren, and doing a lot of reminiscing about the events of our great 50th last year. He resisted an invitation to accompany Mary Ann to visit her sister in West Palm Beach, so he was keeping the home fires burning alone. ...**Lute**

Buttolph enjoyed a wonderful winter in southern Florida. Cool Park '39 and his wife rented a unit next to their condo for the month of January, so they had a great time together. Plans were also set for their annual trout fishing trip in early June. They drive to the end of the road (Havre-St. Pierre, Quebec) and fly into the wilderness (Cool also accompanies) for great fishing. ...**Lucille Jenkins Moench** says they had a great tour of Portugal, Morocco and Spain last fall. She wouldn't want to live in Morocco, she said, as she was bumped and pushed along by a donkey in the Fez Medina before she saw a sign, "Watch out for the donkeys—they have no brakes." That would have been a sight to behold! ...**Betty Miller Palen** and **Marge Hull Drew** chat on the phone every couple of months. Marge is in the nursing home in Fremont, N.H. (zip 03044; phone 603-895-4054). At Christmas she flew out of Manchester to Philadelphia to be with her daughter and family. That took courage! In January Betty met **Irene Pak Cox, Jean Sweeny Hancock** and **Patty May Taylor** for lunch at Silvermine Tavern. Many tales of the antics of living at Hillcrest were covered. ...**John Mahoney** writes that he is still plagued with physical problems. He has heard from **Lute Buttolph**, Dr. **Al Profy, Bob Alden, Adam Tupka** and **Ken Quackenbush**. He sees **Charlie Conley** from time to time. He is sorry to have missed the 50th. ...**Jacob A. North** exclaims, "No more passing out!" After three weeks in hospital last fall, he was taking it easy and visiting the kids. He became a great-grandfather for the second time in early December. ...**Talbot F. Hamlin** joins in with "Surely our 50th was the high point of the year. All else fails in comparison!" Because he likes editing, he is still at it, now managing ESL books at Heinle and Heinle in Boston. Interestingly, many H & H staff have attended Middlebury language schools. Talbot expects to attend a second 50th at Middlebury this May with wife Allison (Sanford) '41. ...**Paul "Togo" Eriksson** says hi to everyone. He is sorry to have missed so much of the Reunion but is happy to have seen a few of the classmates (**Glenn Leggett**, especially). It was also his company's 30th anniversary and he and Peggy (Woods) '42 had to be at the book convention in Las Vegas. Togo is now entering his fourth decade of independent publishing,. His backlist of more than 200 hardcover titles, includes cookbooks and humor books that have sold over 100,000 copies, non-fiction books that have made headlines, books on nature, gardening, sports, health, science and other topics, as well as belles lettres, of which a third or more have been picked up for re-print in paperback. Togo says that he is an independent soul by nature. He and wife Peggy run the business out of Middlebury. Just now he is most enthusiastic about his recently-published *Bookbanning in America: Who Bans Books?—and Why?* by William Noble. For the past two years he has published just one catalogue annually. This way he can spend more time on fewer books. Next fall they will include a book called *The House at Shelburne Farms*, a story about a wealthy family's home (now an inn) near Lake Champlain. ...With all the good and interesting news, the sad news also comes and it too has to be reported. **Ed Reichert** tells of the September 23, 1990, death of his wife, Marion Ray. Marion entered as a member of the Class of 1942 but graduated with the Class of 1943 due to a skiing injury which kept her out of college for a year. ...It was with sadness that we learned of **Lee Johnson**'s death back in October of cancer. Grieving over the death of his wife, Jane, who died last winter, he was unable to attend our 50th. ...**Arthur E. Andres** reports that his wife, Barbara, died on February 14, 1990, after 48 years of marriage. (Bobbie and I regret that this information has taken so long to get into print.) Art also advised, happily, that he was remarried in late August 1990 to a friend in Florida. They intend to spend most of their time in "The Wilderness" in Naples, Fla., plus Cape Cod and Rocky River, Ohio. His nine grandchildren are doing great. ...We were sorry to learn from **R.C. Anderson** that his wife of 46 years succumbed to cancer just after Thanksgiving. His daughter, Lisa, who teaches at Columbia where she is director of the Middle East Institute, has two sons. His son, Ian, who is head forester for three national forests in Mali, West Africa, has two daughters and a son. All are doing well. Andy planned to come to Midd in April for a Mountain Club shindig when we looked forward to seeing him. ...**Bobby Peek Loftin** was planning to go swimming down there in Austin, Texas, when she wrote on Lincoln's birthday. Temperatures were in the 70s and she wondered what it was like in Middlebury. (We were planning to cruise around on the cross-country ski trails.) ...**Pauline Carleton Steuer** has moved back to Middlebury permanently to a condo at Overbrook Drive. She says that the ambiance is much better, even though severe arthritis prevents her from getting around as much as she would like. ...**Alice Atwood Spaulding** is traveling again. On the Friday after our 50th Reunion, she visited family in Spokane, Wash., then continued to Seattle and a cruise of the inside passage to Alaska. She flew in a helicopter over the glacier outside of Juneau, landed and took a walk on it, too. She was in Anchorage on the longest day of the year when the sun was only down for about three hours. She flew home from Fairbanks. In September she took a European trip, covering the Passion Play, Venice, Budapest, Medugorje and Dubrovnik. She spent the winter in Vermont, but was planning to take off for San Antonio in May. Until April 15 she does tax counseling for the elderly as volunteer work. You sure keep busy, Alice! ...**Charles Rumbold** and wife Montana were disappointed that daughter Ginny and her husband, Jeff Burdick, and two boys, Travis and Brenden, were unable to join them at the 50th Reunion. However, they were able to visit Midd in August. Charles and his wife congratulate and thank all who had a hand in planning and running our great 50th. They are now making plans for future reunions. ...After the great 50th, **Glenn Leggett** and wife Russelle drove to Bar Harbor, Maine, then back to Iowa. Then they were off for a Colorado fishing trip on Roaring River and a long visit with a daughter and her family in Greeley. Back home they presided over the birth of the 12th grandchild, a boy, in Iowa City. Lots of fishing, hunting and tennis during the fall, then they were busy with community and church work in winter as they planned more trips for the spring and summer. ...**Loring Pratt** reports that they are fine and had a fabulous trip to the Galapagos in January and February 1991. They had two more grandchildren in July 1990—which brings their total to 20! ...Paula and **Charlie Straight** have evidently danced their way to fame with a cha-cha gold first and a silver tango in the Golden Ages Dance in Deland, Fla. He wrote they were having a very mild winter in central Florida, but expected the first frost in mid-February. They had "only run the fireplace a few times." ...**Jim Smith** enjoyed our 50th and finds the yearbook a fine souvenir of the occasion. "After that our big event was the marriage of our son to Caroline K. LaCour (a 1990 graduate of William & Mary Law School) on 29 September, 1990, in Colonial Williamsburg (Bruton Parish Church)." Son Doug and his new wife are both lawyers in Panama City, Fla. Jim was reappointed to the Fairfax City School Board last July, but he says it's not an onerous job since they contract with the county to operate the schools. ...**Don Noonan** pronounced the trip to Midd "very gratifying." After enjoying the reunion festivities, they did some genealogy work on the Noonan family and visited Boston. Two of their granddaughters are college sophomores and a third is finishing high school. All earned varsity soccer awards in high school. ...**Bob Pickard** reported that Marjie slipped on the ice on January 10 and pulled three of the four quadricep tendons away from each knee. By spring all were reattached and rehab was going well. The Pickards are still relishing the memories of our 50th and looking forward to the 55th. ...**Natalie Bailey Phillips** and husband Harold celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in December at the Christmas Farm Inn in Jackson, N.H. They had a great time hiking, sleigh riding and feasting. ...**Doris Keffer Kinsey** and Porky celebrated their 50th anniversary down in Punta Gorda, Fla. All five of their children joined them, coming from California, Ohio, New York, Massachusetts and Florida. They rented condos and enjoyed a glorious week together. The children arranged a cruise boat champagne-luncheon, an orchestra playing tunes of the '40s, a five-tiered cake and 85 guests. There were also eight grandchildren present. Doris and Porky spend the winter on their boat, *Chablis II*, at Fisherman's Village. ...**Verna George Bain** is still walking! She has just completed two years as president of Walkabout International and is now looking forward to being an active participant without all the responsibilities. This group walks locally and regularly and travels extensively. Verna is enjoying family again, as her 18-year-old granddaughter is living with her as she finishes school. ...**Ellen Rhodes McCarthy** has moved into a lovely waterfront condo, after selling her home of 15 years in Richmond. She wanted to be nearer her son and wife, who are down the road in Virginia Beach. ...Many thanks to all who sent news. Please drop us a note and keep the news coming to we can all keep in touch with one another. It's great to keep the news of 1940 in print.

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Class Secretaries: *Topsy Wadlund House, RD 1, Box 3039, Hyde Park, VT 05655, and Lester W. Ingalls, Box 583, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

Writing to meet a deadline ahead of our 50th Reunion, we can only say that we missed those of you who did not return and that we warmly welcomed those who did come back to dear ol' Midd. In our next column, a full report of the celebration. Do stay tuned!

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bates (Nancy Rindfusz), 29 Long Reach, Salem, SC 29676.*

We have some sad news to report. The **Gilbert** brothers have passed away, **William** in October 1990 and **Charles** in February 1991. **Carter Mott** died on June 12, 1987, and the alumni office has requested information to be used to write an obituary for the magazine. Please reply to Bob Peskin at the alumni office. ...Now for some good news. As of February 22, 1991, 72 of our classmates have returned the information card attached to our letter of January 10. C'mon you all, let's hear from you. ...In his second year of retirement from Cigna, **Roger Arnold** reports a busy life: daily workouts at Cigna's gym (spoiled by lunch at the Union League Club), 11 hostels, skiing at Vail and travel keeps him on the go. ...**Joan Calley Cooper** got in a trip to the eastern Mediterranean just in time. While on her annual safari to New Hampshire, she checked in with Betsy Heath Gleason '58 (our 50th Reunion mentor) at Middlebury and is volunteer #1. ...We

saw **Jack McMann** in New Smyrna Beach, Fla., in March. He proudly reports the awards received by his daughter, Mary, who is a professor at Onondaga College. ...**Sue Hulings Ottinger** and Harry spent another quiet year in 1990: winter trip to Portugal, summer trip to New England and frequent trips to Baton Rouge to check mom, plus lots of company (they're on the east-west flyway), tennis, bridge and woodworking to fill in the gaps. Sue has several good suggestions for our 50th. ...**Scott Morrow** sends thanks to those of you who contacted him concerning his request for information about **Eddie Gignac**. ...**Tony Wishinski** wrote that his Santa act survived another busy season. ...**Phil** and **Betty Blanchard Robinson**'s note said they planned a trip south while we were away. Not very friendly! Another pair of volunteers. ...**Meg Buscher Day** and **Bill Andrews** were here for golf, bridge and a day at the Masters. **Nina Camuti Danielsen** couldn't make the trip because of family complications. ...**Tillie Tillinghast Fuller** became a grandmother for the fifth time last fall. **Hope Rood Redway** arrived at the same time for her annual trip to the States. Tillie and Denny did Alpine Europe last summer, including the Passion Play, and hope to get to New Zealand in '91. ...Tommy Lasorda, AKA **Phil Rifenberg**, reports a 30-lb. gain since he stopped smoking. Claire busy clogging and golfing while Phil bowls. ...**Jane Giblin Langey** introduced her 7-year-old grandson to New England at Christmas. He had lived in Saudi Arabia all his life. His dad and Jane and Ed's eldest son were both in Saudi at the time these notes were written. ...**Bill Wood**'s informative Christmas letter reports he fractured his left arm while speeding in his motorized wheel chair, which slowed him down for a few months. Bill has made several trips to Maine to check out lighthouses, eat lobster and shop L.L. Bean. He loves the history-laden town of Portsmouth. ...A Christmas card from El and **Ken Cosgrove** shows them walking the beach—looks like the Carolina coast. From the rear, they look well and fit. ...**Elaine George Schwartz** sent a beautiful card of Boulder, Colo. (Would that we could be there for the summer.) ...We returned in February from our annual do on Montserrat. Lots of people pitched in to rebuild homes after Hugo blew the island apart. We were off to Florida in March to see kids, **Helen Hooley Young** and husband **Jack** and Gordie Brooks '41. ...Please send in your biographies as requested by the Class Book committee. We want EVERYONE in the book with a picture. Any picture will be more flattering than the one in the Freshman Handbook.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. A. Cutler Silliman (Kathryn Sempepos), 279 Chestnut St., Fredonia, NY 14063, and Dr. S. Peter Nikitas, 41 Stonehenge Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201.*

Ralph Crawshaw was named Physician of the Year at the annual meeting of the Multnomah (Oregon) County Medical Society. He was introduced as "a Renaissance man in our midst. Ralph has...traveled the world to study and discuss health care, is a prodigious writer, has created numerous worldwide, regional and local health-care organizations, and for years has pricked the comfortable conscience of us all by asking discomforting questions about the poor, the weak, the feeble, the unattended." Ralph has also been awarded the prestigious Doctor Benjamin Rush Award for Citizenship and Community Service, a recognition by the American Medical Association. ...**Rod Hemphill** (68 Westminster St., Westerley, RI 02891) brings us up to date with a short letter. He got his M.A. in linguistics from Yale in 1950, then spent 40 years in the English as a Second Language field in Thailand, the Philippines, Kenya, Uganda, Japan, Israel, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, New York and Monterey, Calif. He married Anong Sibanyon of Ayuthaya, Thailand, in 1950. Of their four daughters, two were born in Bangkok and two in Manila. He and his family have been back home in Westerley, R.I., 10 years now. For five years he gave astronomy lectures in the planetarium at Mystic Seaport Museum in Mystic, Conn. He recently took "five years off for heart attack and consequent surgery. Presently extremely busy at home, accomplishing nothing and enjoying it." ...Good to hear from **Brad Poole** (40 Bay Road, P.O. Box 731, Cotuit, MA 02635), who retired to Cape Cod in 1982 after 26 years as an engineer with Texas Instruments, Inc. ...**Stan Zollner** (36 Greenside Way, San Rafael, CA 94901) says he is looking forward to the 50th Reunion. It will be his first! He has nothing but "fond memories of the *old* Alma Mater with not quite the same for the *new* Alma Mater." He recalls the time the class buzzers went off at 3 a.m.: "A special wire tap was found outside **Dick McGarry**'s and my room by maintenance and the Dean of Men had us in his office the next day. He said, 'I can't prove you fellows did the job, BUT McGarry has the brains to engineer it and Zollner has the guts to go through with it.'" Stan also suspects that this was a mild event when it comes to what goes on these days. With wife Ellen, Stan had a wonderful 'round-the-world trip in fall 1990, circling the equator via three days air, 13 days land and 39 days sea. The *Sea Goddess II* of Cunard gave it all a yacht-like atmosphere that lacked nothing comfortwise. ...**Ted Peach** says that he and **Skip Wilkin Dimond** are willing to take another crack at finding our "address unknown" classmates. He suggests sending out the list to all classmates, hoping to get some clues as to the whereabouts of those lost souls. All this in preparation for the 1993 50th Reunion. Ted said he is coming east to do some family genealogy work. ...**Stan Tupper** reports that his wife, Jill, will enter the University of Maine School of Law in fall 1991 and that daughter Lara will enter Wesleyan University at the same time. Stan is "still engaged in the practice of law in Boothbay Harbor with no hope of retirement in the immediate future. All contributions cheerfully received." ...**Vance Richardson** reports that all is well in Maine and that he is looking forward to the 50th Reunion. Vance sent me (S.P.N.) a long and funny story. I'll ask him to repeat it at the dinner on the 50th. ...One of the pleasantest aspects of being class secretary is finding a "lost" classmate. Welcome back, **Rachael Swarthout King** (3109 Bath Road, Penn Yan, NY 14527). ...**Peg Fiske O'Sullivan**, who retired in June after 30 years of teaching, has joined what she calls the "retirement rat-race." She volunteers at two hospitals and a museum, reads to a blind girl, plays bridge, is trying her hand at oil painting and participates in Elderhostels. Peg has two children and four grandchildren. Daughter Eileen is a teacher; son Brian is a pediatrician. She has a cousin who celebrated her 70th reunion at Holyoke in June. That should spur us all on! ...A long, newsy letter from **Janet Hooker Laine** tells of her marriage last November to Roy Laine. "We postponed our honeymoon until this summer when we are going to Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Finland for a month. Roy is Finnish. His parents came over from Finland as children and he has never been there. He worked with the National Security Agency in Washington for 30 years and was not allowed to travel, so this will be a great trip for us! That is, if the world is not torn apart by war! My four children are all fine, as well as my three granddaughters. Roy keeps busy with the conservation commission and I am busy with the garden club, the Orleans Improvement Association and am president of a small Unitarian fellowship. Cape Cod is wonderful. Gets better every year!" ...**Eleanor Reier Brown** who has been retired for a year and a half, has undertaken a fascinating project, running a series of subscription ballroom dances, traditional events which began in Boston in the 1940s. These waltz evenings and dinner dances are held at the Copley Plaza Hotel, itself a tradition. Elly is looking forward to a trip in August to Lausanne, Switzerland, where Fielding will be attending professional meetings. Four daughters and two grandchildren round out the Brown family. ...Don and **Peg Bullock Marti** took a long-dreamed-of trip to Hawaii in the spring of 1990. While there they visited with Peg's college roommate, **Pat Rogers Prukop**, who gave them a wonderful, personalized tour of "her" island, Maui. The Martis are avid Elderhostelers, which has taken them recently to Jekyll Island, Ga., Wilmington, N.C., Lake Geneva, Wis., and Florida. What a marvelous way to see the country and learn at the same time! They have three sons, all of whom live near enough to Midland to permit frequent visits. ...**Natalie Dane Richdale** has a new address: 416 Matares Drive, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. ...Our sympathies are with **Alice Landis Tonry**, who lost her husband in May 1990. We remember with delight Herb's piano playing at 45th Reunion. He kept us singing far into the night. ...Our thoughts are also with **Martha Newton Van Gaasbeck**, whose husband passed away in January. Van '41 is part of our collective Middlebury memories, and we shall miss him. ...Finally, I (**Kay Silliman**) and my husband, Cutler, spent January in southern and central California at an Elderhostel on Catalina Island, where the buffalo run wild on the hillsides, exploring Big Sur country (a thing I've dreamed of doing ever since reading Robinson Jeffers' poetry in Prof. Cook's class) and visiting **Beth Warner Carney** in Santa Cruz. As far as I know, she is the only female '43er living in California.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Charles A. Brown (Elizabeth Broadbent), 625 Cedar Lane, Villanova, PA 19085, and David Stebbins, 5 Brennan Drive, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010.*

Writing in December, **Dot Cleary Cooke** and husband Ed '45 had just returned from a 10-day cruise of the Panama Canal on a brand new ship, the *Crystal Harmony*. Prior to that they had spent five days in Las Vegas where Dot, for the first time in 20 years' worth of visits, came away a big winner. They planned to spend the holidays in Baltimore with their oldest daughter and most of the following: three daughters, three sons-in-law and five grandchildren (ages 1-1/2 to 16). ...**Jeanne Chatfield Addison** says that she and Ed spend a lot of time enjoying their three grandchildren (ages 13, 12 and 3) who live next door, plus a new granddaughter only five miles away. Jeanne and Ed attended an Elderhostel at Plimoth Plantation last fall and were planning another to Great Britain in spring. Jeanne is doing volunteer work involving several historical societies, a literary council and the local library. ...**Lois Hanchett Harper** retired in December after 20-1/2 years as a school librarian for junior high and middle school students in her hometown of Natick, Mass. A trip to England last August was a "memorable experience." Her week with the Berkshire Choral Institute at King's School within the walls of Canterbury Cathedral culminated in a concert in the Cathedral performing the Brahm's *Requiem* (in German) with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. Son David came over for the concert and

spent a week with Lois seeing the sights of London. After he left, Lois took a tour of Scotland. "It was a vacation I'll never forget!" ...**Robert P. Darrow**'s wife, Sue, after breaking a leg skiing in Snowmass, Colo., in January 1990, turned to swimming for rehabilitation. She is now a hot item on the senior swim circuit and keeps bringing home medals and ribbons. "Those old phys. ed. majors are hard to hold back." The Darrows spent parts of last August and September doing Alaska by R.V. "Truly a great land! If you like wilderness, mountains, glaciers, sea, flora, fauna and fish, it's a must." Bob is still in active surgical practice but has cut back on emergency work whenever possible. ...Jane and **Peter Jennison** enjoyed an Elderhostel fortnight on Lake Garda in Italy last June and plan to attend another in Florence. Peter is working on a new novel and is keeping a "semi-retired" eye on the Countryman Press, which he says "continues to grow—to my amazement." ...Mary and **Holly Hollister** are farming and raising pheasants, quail, partridge and sweet corn on their game farm and hunting preserve in Wilmington, Ohio. Each fall Holly spends much of his time in the smokehouse, smoking pheasants over green shag bark hickory, getting ready for the annual holiday rush. The Hollisters hope their two-year-old grandson will be in the Class of 2011. ...**George S. (Pete)** and Barbara Busing '46 **Harris** are well into their third year of retirement, very busy and enjoying it very much. Grandson Tyler Harris Swiggett was born to daughter Ellen '82 on December 3, 1990. That's grandchild #9 for the Harrises. Last August/September Barbara and Pete joined an Interhostel group in Trier, Germany, for three weeks and then topped it off with a week in a rental car seeking Barbara's roots in the Bremerhaven area. "A unique and glorious experience, though the exchange rate could have been better." ...**Hal Parker** writes of his unique Midd experience over a 13-year period (1940-1953). His student years (1940-1947) included the military and his marriage to Edie. Then he had the unusual opportunity of being a teaching faculty member and colleague with people under whom he had previously studied. He was also the coach of Midd's first lacrosse team. Hal went on for 35 more years in higher education, serving at six other colleges and universities before retiring a couple of years ago. Hal continues his "old times" relationships with **Dave** and Irmy Nierhaus '48 **Stebbins**, Don '48 and Marion Durkee '47 Stillman, Bob '49 and Ruth Britton '47 Gore, Don Gilmore '47 and brothers Frank '39 and Jack Parker '48. He attends homecomings and reunions whenever possible and hopes that those who don't often get back will make our big 50th for the all-time attendance record. ...**Parmly (Lee) Clapp** says he is "knocking about, fighting Social Security limitations" related to his continuing activities as a photo-journalist, actor and card-carrying member of the Screen Actors Guild and the American Federation of TV and Radio Artists. His work involves extensive travel, with visits in recent years to Greece, Alaska, China, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Munich, Macau. When he wrote us last winter, he was looking forward to a trip to Australia. ...In Norway last spring, Nancy and **Mal Collin** took a fjord cruise from Hammerfest to Bergen, followed by a couple of train trips to visit Oslo and relatives. They want to return to the Winter Olympics in 1992. In September they flew to Brussels with friends and then toured Germany by car, visiting the Rhine Valley, Oktoberfest in Munich, the Alps, castles and lakes. "Had a marvelous time just winging it." Closer to home, they took two trips to Saco, Maine, with Nancy's brother and sisters; Nancy went to an Elderhostel craft session at St. Andrews by the Sea in November. In between trips they rebuilt "Nancy's kitchen" to give her more space and a higher ceiling with a skylight. Mal is still doing energy audit work for New York state, with the energy crunch providing enough work to keep him busy when not traveling. Last, but not least, granddaughter Shelbie Collin arrived in January 1990, raising the grandchild count to 10. ...After visiting **Rod Frank** in Palm Desert, Calif., a few years ago, **Dave** and Irmy **Stebbins** keep getting winter temperature readings each year with an invitation to try it again. A beautiful place to visit and sooner or later they will. Dave and Irmy also report the arrival of their third grandchild, Erin Kathleen Stebbins, in Breckenridge, Colo., on January 21. ...In January, **Laurence Selleck** sent a letter outlining his career in the U.S. Marine Corps, along with his comments on the Persian Gulf situation as he saw it at that time. Although the physical war is ended, many concerns remain and we felt that the following quote would still be of interest: "As for the Persian Gulf situation, my reactions as a professional Marine are that I wish I were only 59 instead of 69. I'd go in a minute! As far as the logic of our being there at all, I can find little to justify it, morally, economically, strategically or any other way. However, once in it, get it over fast. Even that is wishful thinking because we're talking of an area of the world where passions boil over at the drop of a hat. Allah Ahkbar is now emblazoned on the Iraqi flag and we all know who the target of a new jihad will be. Who else? Israel, of course. When the first Iraqi missiles rain down on Tel Aviv and the first nuke is dropped on Baghdad in retaliation, what then? Who are our allies at that point in time? In other words, we've opened a Pandora's Box of potential horrors and nobody can predict tomorrow." Larry left Middlebury in June '42 to go through naval aviation training, "with a lot of other great Midd guys. Got my wings in March of '43 and Second Lieutenant's commission in the Marine Corps." He saw combat duty in the central and western Pacific and came back to Midd with wife Eileen and son Larry. He was recalled to active duty for Korea in June 1950 and saw more combat there in jet fighters and bombers. He integrated into the regular Marines and retired in '69. At the time he was recalled for Korea, Larry had three children, a new house and a good job, "so I can sympathize with the reserves being recalled today...but no sympathy for those who accept Caesar's coin in peacetime and then suddenly find previously unknown scruples against killing his fellow man." His wife died of cancer in 1965 and he has since remarried and has five children, seven grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. Larry's oldest son is a captain with U.S. Air with 25 years seniority, making the third generation of Selleck pilots. Larry's father flew in France in 1918 and knew well Waldo Heinrichs (of Contemporary Civilization fame). Larry took his master's in history along the way and hopes to do some work in the area of colonial history in retirement. ...Richard and **Winifred Witzigman Ballou** have been busy for the last two years planning the reunion of Dick's Army battalion, the unit that took Remagen Bridge in WWII. The reunion took place in July and included a week's activities for about 100 people. They are both still active in ham radio, heading up the amateurs in their county who help out in emergencies. Any Saudi Arabian contacts? Winifred felt honored to be the alumni speaker at her high school 50th reunion banquet. She concludes, "Five sons, seven grandkids and one great-grandkid supply excitement." ...Leight and **Shirley West Johnson** took up biking in Vermont last summer and Shirley reports that "every road is uphill!" The Johnsons saw Al and **Edith Johansen Connellee** after 35 years, at their 50th high school reunion in Westfield, N.J. Shirley also had an opportunity to see the Dalai Lama of Tibet in Middlebury in September. "Our five-year-old grandson was looking for a llama and was very disappointed." ...**Phyllis Rutan Boucher** and **Dot Schroeder Sterling** cruised the Canary Islands on the *Black Prince* in March and pronounced it a "fun trip." Phyllis is president of the Rhode Island Senior Women's Golf Association this year. ...Golfers Al and **Dorothy Ayers Ingalls** played in the Middlebury golf tournament in Burlington last summer. Dot is still working at UVM as a secretary (10 months) which gives her the summers off. "Not ready to retire." ...**Abbie-Dora Ansel Blair** and her husband are in the process of moving into a retirement community in Charlottesville, Va. They have sold their Norfolk house, but kept their sailboat, camper, cabin and canoe. They plan to "ricochet around all activities and dwellings. **Jane Landes** has seen and approved this arrangement." ...In spring '90, James G. '43 and **Dorothy Brown Clark** had a great trip to Spain and western France as part of a Smithsonian group. Over Labor Day weekend, they attended their third Middlebury Alumni College, of which Dot says, "It is a pleasure to meet and hear some of the excellent professors at the College now, as well as to see other alumni each year. In October we joined six other couples and Professor Hunisak for the Midd art tour to Florence." ...Vermont is celebrating its Bicentennial in 1991—first Republic, 14th State. **Lois Hofmann Blittersdorf** is town Bicentennial chairman in Pittsford. She is also active in the Pittsford Historical Society and traveled to Philadelphia to the Patent Office celebration of the first U.S. patent granted to Pittsford native Samuel Hopkins in 1790. While at the National Realtors Convention in New Orleans in November, Lois took a four-day trip up the Mississippi on the historic *Delta Queen*. ...Part-time teaching at Community College of Vermont, White River Junction site, keeps **Mary Whitney Cassedy** busy in winter, along with keeping and riding horses. For the past two summers, Mary has taken part in archaeological digging at Mt. Independence in Orwell, Vt. She also chairs a small town planning board. ...Bill and **Betty Mercer McChrystal** went east for Bett's 50th high school reunion in New Jersey last May. Then a visit to family in Boston preceded a tour of the Alps which included the Passion Play in Oberammergau. They had a wonderful trip, but came home to "near disaster"—a broken water pipe under their condo slab in California. "Seven and one-half months later, things getting back to normal!" The McChrystals saw Loren and **Irene Ruthenberg Conner** on the occasion of Loren's birthday celebration in La Mesa, Calif. ...Donald and **Helen Beardslee Johnstone** enjoyed another trip to England, thence to Switzerland. They also make visits to their children in Vermont, Virginia and California in these retirement years. ...Donald and **Marjorie Palmer Maxham** would like to sell their boat and buy a camper instead so they can "cruise on land." Unfortunately, however, "the Massachusetts economy went into a tailspin and foiled our plans." Any would-be sailors can contact them in So. Braintree, Mass. ...Olav and **Dorothy Burton Skardal** wrote in their Christmas letter that they are very happy in the new apartment they have moved to after 37 years in the same house in Oslo, Norway. They joined a private organization in the '70s, dedicated to building cooperative senior citizens' apartments all over Oslo. "We paid a small amount each month into a closed account to save up toward buying such an apartment some day. When a complex was announced last year to be built only four blocks from our house, much closer to our local shopping center and tram stop, the site seemed almost perfect." Dot says storage space is limited so relatives and friends came from far and near to cart off what they wanted before they sold

books or gave away the rest. "Private yard or garage sales, as we know them, don't exist in Oslo." The Skardals found, as have many of us in the States, that they could not sell their house in the depressed Norwegian real estate market, so have rented to friends while they wait for the market to recover. Dot and Olav find great joy and amazement in the seemingly spectacular development of their year-old first grandson, Joakim: "At this point, I can't believe my own babies grew up so fast!" A week after moving to their new apartment, Dorothy flew to Omaha, Neb., to attend the 50th anniversary celebration of her graduation from Central High School. As at Middlebury, she won the award for having come the farthest. On her return, Dot took a trip by hydrofoil ferry boat to Bergen, the fjord and mountain country of western Norway, and then off for a month in August to their mountain cabin in Telemark. "Amid the peaceful beauty of nature in the Telemark mountains, it was painfully incongruous to turn on our battery-powered radio each day and hear about the invasion of Kuwait, children dying in Rumanian orphanages, bloody conflicts between ethnic minorities in Eastern Europe and the USSR. And now, as Christmas approaches, we witness the breakdown of production and distribution of all goods, of the whole economic system in large areas of this continent, the threatened breakup of more countries than the Soviet Union. Western Europe is bracing itself for a flood of refugees from the East, maybe 20 million, we're told. In northern Norway military authorities are preparing to open their stores of supplies to meet not the long-feared invasion of Russian military might, but a horde of starving civilians. Delegations from the Baltic countries have been coming to Scandinavia to ask for help." A Lithuanian Academy of Sciences friend of Dot's said her most pressing problem was whether she and her fellow countrymen would get enough food to survive the winter. "So far, for Europe, the Gulf crisis is wholly overshadowed by this one. It seems so ironic that just as all these former Iron Curtain countries throw away their systems (too fast, too fast!) and demand what we have, our own systems are suffering serious breakdowns. Long-term problems grow worse and worse, crime and corruption, drugs and violence, poverty and homelessness, rampant greed and political paralysis. Norway is in the midst of its own economic, political and moral crisis, too. Businesses going bankrupt, banks threatened, unemployment soaring, government frantically cutting back on all social services (even schools and hospitals) as welfare expenses explode." Dot says that to top it all, the first major graft and corruption scandal among government officials in the history of Norway broke this year. The University of Oslo, where Dorothy and Olav have taught for many years, has been suffering from financial cutbacks combined with soaring enrollments as young people who can't get jobs flock to Norway's tuition-free education. The teaching staff has been cut; remaining professors have a heavy teaching load. Dot, I think, looks forward to retirement next summer so that she can continue her research.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Winslow Wetherbee, Jr. (Barbara Boyden), 1642 18th St., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223, and Alan Wolfley, 22 Canaan Close, New Canaan, CT 06840.*

Jim and **Midge Harwood Greer** have been more than busy their first full year of retirement. They have delivered Meals on Wheels, driven for the elderly, been head guides at the Concord Museum and worked for the Chamber of Commerce. They have also enjoyed Elderhostels in Ottawa and at Cornell University, as well as planning further Elderhostels in Atlanta, Ga., and Myrtle Beach, S.C., before this issue goes to press. Christmas found their home bursting at the seams with son David, daughter Cindy and her family as house guests. ...**June Robinson Reenan** lost her father last year. Our sympathy goes out to her and the family. June and husband George vacationed at Jekyll Island last winter and enjoyed the golf. Their grandson, Kirk, was on the front line in Saudi Arabia. We all hope he has returned safely by now. ...Win and **Baba Boyden Wetherbee** had a wonderful two-week trip to Hawaii last fall. They visited four islands, enjoying the weather, beaches, sightseeing and history of our 50th state. They also have a new granddaughter, Alyssa, born to daughter Wendy on February 11, 1991.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Roy E. Coombs, Jr. (Fran Tenney), 30 Fern Place, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922, and Mrs. Albert S. Johnston (Eileen Luz), 54 Old Army Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924.*

One of the joys of being a class secretary is the perfect excuse to pick up the telephone and call—and to hear the surprise in the voice at the other end of the line. So far no one has hung up or said he/she doesn't remember us! As letter writers we are all getting worse, but do try to give the new secretaries a boost with a shower of newsy postcards. At the risk of being repetitious for those who were at our big 45th, here are the results of some calls to classmates we hadn't seen or heard from in a while. ...**Joan Harrocks Grimm** and Dick have nine children and now 17 grandchildren to keep them young. They have lived in Cincinnati for years. Joan taught all kinds of English at the Univ. of Cincinnati, concentrating on technical writing at the end. She retired four years ago and is doing all the things she had no time for while raising a family and teaching. She goes to the symphony and enjoys a book club where they read "really good stuff, nothing easy!" After 26 years in a large house they now have a "landominium," separate smaller homes with condominium ownership. ...Dr. **Edward C. Andrews, Jr.**, who retired in 1988 as president and CEO of Maine Medical Center, has been named the interim president and CEO of the Mid-Maine Medical Center at Waterville. Ed had previously been dean of the medical school and then the long-time president of UVM. ...**Pat Beach Kortlandt** and her husband have lived on a ranch in Rectortown, Va., about 50 miles west of Washington, since 1954. They have 127 acres where they raise beef cattle. As Pat says, this is not a business from which you retire or take vacations easily, though every few years they do manage a trip to Holland where Nicholas still has family. ...The high point of last fall for Tim and **Phyl Faber Warren** was the Middlebury Alumni Tour to Italy. Roger and **Glo Antolini Keyser** were also part of the small congenial group which went to Tuscany and Umbria to view art and architecture. Though the Warrens have traveled widely, this was their first experience with an organized tour and they were impressed with how well it was managed. They have three children, two in the greater Boston area and one in Camden, Maine, and six grandchildren. Phyl is on the road a lot to help with the baby-sitting! All the family gathered in New Jersey in the fall for her mother's 95th birthday, a very special time. ...**Betty Price Kent** has retired from the hospital in Brunswick, Maine, where she was a medical technologist, but she plans to stay where she is. Her mother is in a nursing home in Bath, daughter Susan is in the area and her son, Barry, is in Connecticut. Her granddaughter and five-year-old great-granddaughter live in New Jersey. Pricie says she is playing Grandma Moses, taking lessons in oil painting. We think she wins the prize as our only great-grandmother thus far. Any others? ...**Connie Smith Carpenter** and **Joan Campbell Shaw** were participants at the Midd Winter Weekend last January. ...On a sad note, the College received word some time ago of the death of **Betty Lou Chamberlain Swenson** on January 31, 1986. Contact with her family has been lost, so we would appreciate any information from classmates so that a proper obituary could be prepared for a future issue of the *Magazine*. Write directly to the alumni office or to the class secretaries.

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Class Secretaries: Joanne Buckeridge Booth and Rev. George H. Booth, 3515 N. Washington Blvd., #401, Arlington, VA 22201.

Don T. and Mary Nasmith '46 **Means** have been living in Oaktown, Va., for some 15 years. Don has spent many hours during the past six years as a volunteer with the Oaktown Mormon Genealogy Library. Anyone can request the help of the library in searching for his/her "roots." Don has helped to unravel numerous mysteries of family lineage. He also enjoys swimming and gardening. Don and Mary enjoy visiting their daughter in Jacksonville, Fla., and their son in the Washington, D.C., area. They have two grandchildren. When **Betty Pickles Cox** comes to the Washington area from Ohio, they often get together. ...**Betty Virtue Mozes** is now living at 86 New England Ave., #42, Summit, NJ 07901. ...Did you know we have a classmate who owns and races greyhounds? **Gordie Mathews** (of Black Panthers fame) has retired after five years as owner-operator of a West Indies hotel. He now lives on the Gulf of Mexico and is the proud owner of a small fleet of greyhounds, "who are racing at a track nearby, enabling us to watch them run." Three of their four children and one grandchild live near them. ...After 40 years with Du Pont, **Dan Colyer** has joined the fastest-growing occupation of the Class of '47—retirement. Whitewater rafting and fly fishing in Montana, Spanish lessons in preparation for a trip to Spain and a high time at Bread Loaf last fall attending the Alumni College have taken Dan and his wife away from their farm in Chester County, outside Wilmington, Del. Dan boasts of five grandchildren.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Benjamin L. Smith (Fran Van Cleve), P.O. Box 1307, Pahrump, NV 89041, and Stew Washburn, 60 Lakeview Place, Fairfield, CT 06430.*

We have new addresses for **Laurence C. Thompson, Jr.** (60 N. Beretania St., #103, Honolulu, HI 96817), **Roger L. Beach** (40 Morgan Circle, Swarthmore, PA 19081), **William D. Finn** (129 Edison St., Ypsilanti, MI 48197), **Eleanor Flanagan Branch** (207 Oak Hill Drive, Durham, NC 27712, **Julius B. Chambers**, Box 604, Tangerine, FL 32777. ...**Donald B.** and **Nancy Weale McGuire** are saving their MIDD license plate. "What a clever idea to collect them." ...**Thomas M. Johnson** is "looking forward to the Golden Years free of craft shows, etc." He was selling his prints and Christmas cards of local Vermont scenes and buildings at the Burlington Craft Fair. ...**Perry Maurer Thompson** was in charge of the Midd-Vermont Alumni Association holiday reception between the two performances of the College choir at

Christmas time. She was assisted by **Ruth Burgess Schmidt** and **Margery Lehmann Stillman. Natelle Benson Fraioli** and Mary and **Walter Nelson** attended. ...**Janet Rice Smith**'s husband, Alexander '47, has retired as rector of St. James Church, Essex, Junction, Vt. ...**Patricia McCabe Perkins** sent me a map of her trip, by train, to New Orleans, Houston, El Paso, Phoenix, L.A., Albuquerque, Chicago, Pittsburgh and back to Vermont. She saw her daughter, Amy, graduate as a medic at Ft. Sam Houston, visited her brother in Phoenix and her aunt in L.A. She now plans to hibernate for another 60 years. She's enjoying her retirement, but still does volunteer work. ...**Janet Kohler** traveled with a friend to an Elderhostel at the Ghost Ranch, a national adult study center in Abiquiu, N.M. She spent the summer at the cabin and a weekend in the Catskills, one at the shore and senior week at Frost Valley, N.Y. ...**Paul Vyrros**, at 70, had to retire at St. Anselm, but he says he will never lose his love of teaching. "It's the atmosphere, the classroom experience....I've always wanted to have my students reach higher beyond their potential." He wanted to build their intellectual muscle and inspire them. "That's what teaching is all about."

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Class Secretaries: *Mary Ashworth Anderson, 5431 Crestline Road, Wilmington, DE 19808 (302-737-3403), and Bob Trimmer, 398 Fearington Post, Pittsboro, NC 27312.*

Thanks to our classmates for sending changes of address to the alumni office. Please include your new telephone number. ...**Virginia "Gee" Anthony Cooper** (2 Homan Lane, New London, NH 03257; 603-526-6769) is active in the League of Women Voters and enjoys her elected job as a supervisor of the checklist in New London. A passionate conservationist, her favorite organization is the Society for the Protection of N.H. Forests and its brainchild, the Trust for N.H. Lands. Her avocation of selling real estate is "dead as a door nail in spite of being in the resort area of Lake Sunapee." A homemaker outside D.C. before moving to New Hampshire in 1978, Gee still spends summers at the family property on the lake. She enjoys skiing, swimming, walking, playing bridge and traveling. A trip to Alaska is planned for September. Son Alan (McGill '84) has his own CPA office in St. Albans, Vt.; son Doug lives nearby in New London. ...It took **Constance Johnson** (7908 Sandalfoot Drive, Potomac, MD 20854; 301-469-0157) almost a year to sell her home in northern New Jersey. Her daughter had sold her metropolitan D.C. townhouse a year earlier and moved into the house they purchased together. Connie moved in December 1990 and plans to revive her golfing skills, since the house is located on a golf course. She has become a certified financial planner, limiting her clientele to family. She and her daughter love cruises. A fall 1989 cruise visited the Black Sea and several Russian ports before the fall of the Berlin Wall ("what an eye-opener!") and a fall 1990 cruise sailed from Buenos Aires around Cape Horn to Chile. They also flew over the Antarctic: "No photograph does the gorgeous blue water justice." Connie has a son in northern New Jersey; another son was killed in an auto accident seven years ago. ...After 30 years at Lever Brothers Research Center, **Jan Curry** (444 E. 86th St., #31E, New York, NY 10028; 212-988-1885) retired in 1983 to become a consultant microbiologist. She founded her own company, MQC, Inc., which helps manufacturers of cosmetics, toiletries and household products with their microbiological quality control (MQC) programs. She also teaches a three-day course on microbiological quality of water-based consumer products for the Center for Professional Advancement. This year the course will be given in Amsterdam, as well as E. Brunswick, N.J. She will also be teaching a one-day course on preservatives for the Society of Cosmetic Chemists (of which she is past president). She is also writing two chapters on microbiological matters for forthcoming textbooks. In her leisure time, Jan is an avid bowler and has served as secretary-treasurer of the Leverettes league for 35 years. When I (**Polly Ashworth Anderson**) talked with her she was looking forward to the annual N.J. State Women's Tournament in Atlantic City, having entered her usual 24-member squad. Jan always enjoys hearing from and about the recipients of her science honors award, presented each year to an outstanding Middlebury woman graduate for excellence in biological or related sciences. ...**Lee Cunniff Ketzel** (315 Park Hill Terrace, Lawrence, KS 66046; 913-843-4834) is on the community services committee of her local senior center, on the board of the Lawrence/Douglas County (Kansas) League of Women Voters and on the board of the Kansas Religious Coalition for Abortion Rights, a pro-choice organization. She is also membership co-chair of the Friends of the Spencer Museum at the Univ. of Kansas where her late husband (deceased July '88) was a political science professor. Lee is also active in the University Women's Club and the KU Retirees' Club. After Lee received her M.A. in English (Univ. of Kansas '70), she worked eight years as the public information officer of the Kansas Arts Commission. Lee was one of three from our class on a Midd-sponsored "Barging in Burgundy" trip in July 1989. Others were **Rae Adkins Platt** (and husband George) and **Irene Ulmer Boublik**. A great time was had by all. Lee and Irene traveled together again in August 1990 to visit **Joan Keller Alden** at her lovely home in Cataumet, Mass., and to spend a week with **Lois Quirk Racz** and her husband, Bill, at their Cape Cod B and B in Brewster. ...**Jack Valentine** reports from Carlisle, Mass., that he has retired as president of the Beech Hill Hospital in Dublin, N.H. Jack still serves as trustee for the University Hospital, Outward Bound and the Pioneer Group Mutual Fund. Jack skis in Europe and is only five pounds over his weight during his college days on the Midd ski team! He has taken classical piano lessons for six years. John and wife Elizabeth are the parents of seven children. ...Bachelor **Dave Washburn** lives in Chipman Park and keeps an eye on the College. Dave is impressed by the new prexy and he sees **Spence Wright** fairly often. Dave retired in 1973 from an administrative sales position with Mobil Overseas, working principally in West Africa and Egypt. He is a founding member of the Addison County Humane Society and keeps busy taking care of his home and garden. He enjoys reading history, biography and fiction. ...**Mike Glowa**, who lives in York, S.C., near Charlotte, has been retired for four years from a company which manufactures industrial equipment. The Glowas have six children and four grandchildren. ...After spending 10 years in Hendersonville, N.C., **Bob** and Britt (Ruth Britton) '47 **Gore** have returned to New England. They live in Peterborough, N.H., where Bob works part time as a manufacturers' rep for a supplier of abrasive polishing and grinding materials for industry. Bob covers Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont. The Gores travel quite a bit (two of their four children work for airlines, giving them *free* travel privileges). They own a time-share in Mexico which they trade off to vacation in other locations. Bob belongs to the New England chapter of the Tenth Mountain Division and sees **Tom Duff** at chapter meetings. Bob and Britt have three grandchildren. ...**Harold Suresky** left Middlebury in 1949 and joined the family automobile dealership in Goshen, N.Y. Harold is president and C.E.O. of the 75-year-old business which has just moved into a new showroom. He and his wife, Helen, have three children and four grandchildren. Harold has been active in local affairs, is director of a local bank and became president of the Goshen Hospital last May. Harold lived in the "Mole Hole" in the basement of Gifford when he was at Midd. Now he has a villa in Naples, Fla. Talk about upward mobility!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert Kingsland (Elly Flett), Foster Hill Road, West Brookfield, MA 01585, and Mrs. F. R. Young (Anna Sherwood), 24 Whitehall Ave., Edison, NJ 08820.*

This summer, as you anticipate vacationing, retiring, moving, trekking, don't forget to let us know where you'll be. For those who are now enjoying a more leisurely lifestyle, it's a good time to re-establish ties with "old" friends. Besides, no news makes for a blank column! ...**Natalie Richards** had a visit at her home in Mattapoisett, Mass., from Joel '49 and **Bambi Ellsworth Lamere** last summer. Also, **Nancy Rose Edmonds** and her daughter stopped for lunch with her on their way to Cape Cod. ...**Margie Hayden Atkins** writes that Ed is thinking of retirement and she's still working for Hartman Property Management, still playing tennis, presiding over the Rockville, Md., Women's Republican Club and enjoying her garden club and chrysanthemum society, as well as babysitting for their three grandchildren. At 40th Reunion, they enjoyed a visit with her uncle, Dr. Stephen Freeman, who "continues to keep in touch with events at the College, in town, and at his church," and who wrote "a most interesting history of the church in 1990 in celebration of its 200th year." How fortunate for the whole Middlebury

Middlebury memories came to mind when five alumni found themselves together at a party in Tucson, Arizona, last February. Seated, from left, Sue Cooke Turnbull '48, Frank McNamee '50, John O'Connor '50, (standing) Phil Turnbull '50 and Carlene Snyder Howland '55.

community that Dr. Freeman is still active in its affairs! ...Sounding relaxed and happy, **Steve Markham** reported that he retired three years ago from the Fitchburg, Mass., school system. ...Bob and **Jean Blanchard Parsons** sent New Year's greetings from their home in Radnor, Pa., along with a note that they celebrated their 40th anniversary in Ireland. Jean's fondest Middlebury memory: "Getting engaged at the Observatory behind Forest." Happy anniversary! ...Had a wonderful reunion via telephone with **Nancy Warman Pihlcrantz**, who's living in Traverse City, in a "beautiful, touristy area" in the northernmost part of Michigan's lower peninsula, about 100 miles south of the Mackinaw Bridge. After a 12-year career as a realtor and as a travel agent before that, Nance is enjoying working regular office hours, with weekends off, in a five-person print shop where she works as a proofreader,

secretary, data entry clerk and bindery worker, plus doing "whatever else is needed at the time." She's enjoying life and occasionally sees **Joan Sanderson Rickers**. ...**Harold Tatro** and his wife spent a couple of months last year in their motor home touring Alaska. This year they'll head for Massachusetts and a visit with their children and grandchildren, with time out for golf. ...Normally, **Bill Wallace** does a lot of skiing during the winter, south of Syracuse; but this year he managed to break his collar bone in the process. It hasn't done much for his golf game either. ...**Bob Herdman**, who lives about 80 miles from the campus, is probably the College's greatest sports fan. Our first phone conversation came to a halt when he had to rush off to the Midd/Union hockey game (which Midd won, 4-3, on their way to a 22-3-1 season, and conference championship). Retired since 1986, Bob does a fair amount of traveling. In 1987 he visited with some good friends in New Zealand, who returned the visit the next year. A couple of years ago he traveled for 2-1/2 weeks in Scotland with some friends from Britain. ...Called **Claire Dufault**

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Wilson to find out if she is still singing. Lo and behold, she's been singing in her church choir for 23 years. In the summer of '89 she traveled to the Soviet Union for three weeks with a Boston-based choral group that promotes Soviet-American friendship through music. Claire is still enjoying her job as a therapist/psychiatric social worker at a state-sponsored mental health clinic in Arlington, Mass., though she has cut back her time to four days. She's in touch with **Marnie Marvin Hubbard**, sees **Ginny Worley Valpey** around reunion times and visits with **Irv** and **Kathy Pell Meeker** when she's down from Maine. ...Having missed connecting with **Marnie Marvin Hubbard** at reunion, I called to get an update. Ed '48 retired five years ago from his pediatric practice. Marnie is still teaching senior high school English in Newton, Mass., where she has taught continuously since 1974, and before that off-and-on since graduation. Marnie and Ed saw Bruce '51 and **Peg Stearns Burdett** at Sunapee last summer and also visited with Alec '51 and **Anne Meyer Marshall** in Wales. The Marshalls participated in a six-week house-swapping vacation with a Welsh couple, exchanging their home in Truro on Cape Cod for the other couple's home in Wales. What a great arrangement! ...**Jim Karney** retired in 1989 as a teacher and football coach. Both his son and daughter graduated from college recently, and his son is now a pilot in the Marine Corps. While it seems half the class has moved to warmer climates, Jim and his wife are getting ready to move to Nova Scotia! ...**Babs Bostelmann Elwell** was appointed to the Vermont State Board of Education by then-Governor Madeleine Kunin. Babs says the job is time consuming (e.g., a 14-hour board meeting in February), but challenging and exciting. The board is completely restructuring the state's school system. Babs was in California at the time of her appointment and was taken completely by surprise at the honor. In answer to her question, "Why me?" the governor indicated it was because of her past involvement with educational services for children from birth through college, and her resulting expert view of the total picture of public education in Vermont. Babs has taught at the Brattleboro Nursery School for 17 years and served as that school's head teacher and director for 14 years; she has also taught at the community college level. She is now co-editor of the Windham Child Care Association Newsletter, a training publication for preschool child-care professionals. ...Walter and **Barb Wesselman Stark** are still in Charlotte, N.C., part time, trying to sell their house there. They bought a condo "with a gorgeous view" on Lake Norman and plan to be there full time once the house is sold. New address: 703 Harborgate, Davidson, NC 28036. Barb retired from teaching last June and is doing volunteer work, working out at the "Y" and traveling. ...From Colchester, Vt., comes a mellow message from **John Sowles** that "the old house has finally emptied of youngsters," who are "strewn all over the country." Two of their children, Ken and Kyle, graduated from Middlebury, in '80 and '89 respectively. "Slowing down," John says, "our chief enjoyment is in renovation of the house and a few activities." ...**Carol Carlton Hentz** sends her thanks to all who earmarked their alumni contribution for the **T.W. Hentz** Fund and the Class of '50 Fund. Carol is now an enthusiastic supporter of the Elderhostel Program and reminds us that "we all qualify, don't kid yourselves!" She describes her Elderhostel experience as "the most unique vacation ever—on a small boat on the Aegean Sea in November, island hopping off-season with 27 other students as adventuresome as I. We got to 10 islands and to Turkey, plus two nights in Athens. Price is right, too." ...Those from our class attending Winter Weekend in January were **Carol Carlton Hentz** and **David Dale**. ...We note with regret the passing on January 5, 1991, of **Arthur V. Bennett** and we extend our sympathy to his family and friends. ...The alumni office has asked our help in finding information about **Hadden Clark**, who died July 7, 1986, and **Joseph Tache**, who passed away in February 1990, to prepare obituaries for a future issue of the *Magazine*. If you can provide any assistance, please contact Elly or Anna, or the College's alumni office.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Higgins, Jr. (Jean Maintain), 44 Cabot St., Winchester, MA 01890, and Benito G. Barsanti, 70 Plymouth Road, Wakefield, MA 01880.*

As of this writing, we are feverishly at work making preparations for our Fabulous 40th. At your reading, we will all have gathered, celebrated and once again disbursed to our various parts of the country—and perhaps the world—proclaiming our motto once again: "Certe Reveniemus—We will return." ...From Senneville, Quebec, John and **Joan Macklaier Birkett** and Barney and **Betty Sutherland Firstbrook Panet-Raymond** had made plans to attend reunion together, until Joan's niece decided to plan her wedding for June 1. Joan was fresh from a trek in Nepal and two weeks of traveling in northern India—"and now Canadian life is so easy." She sent all her best wishes for a special reunion celebration and hello to all. ...From **Lynne Rask Bowman** in Dallas, Texas: "I can't make it—I still work part time and I hate to fly." ...From **Charlotte Kastenbein Wendel** in Martinsburg, West Va.: "Would love to come, but our daughter has chosen June 1 to get married! Maybe the 50th!" She added, "Sure remember Benny from School of Spanish in the summer!" ...Temporarily in Oak Ridge, N.J., **Eleanor "Chips" Stutz Kirlin** was "expecting to move to Brevard, N.C., in the spring so cannot attend reunion. Sorry to miss—will try for the 45th." She wished everyone a great time. ...Down in Nashville, Tenn., **Don Sherburne** will be teaching a seminar at Vanderbilt Univ. which ends the day reunion starts. "The irony is that we'll be arriving at our camp on Lake Dunmore for the summer about two weeks after." Just think, we could have had a picnic! ...From San Rafael, Calif., came word that Phil and **Jo Overlock Hoffmire** would not be making reunion, but they sent loving regards to all and wished us the best for a memorable gathering. ...On a less happy note, **Marty O'Brien Fenn** wrote from Brattleboro, Vt., that Jerry is under treatment for cancer. "What we will be doing in May is problematical." She recollected how much they had enjoyed reunions in the past and hoped we would get a banquet room with good acoustics. ...From **Scott Buzby** on the sunny shores of Vero Beach, Fla., we learn that he would like to have joined us but was scheduled for some spring-time surgery and would be in his recoup program. He hoped we would have a great one and we wish him well and hope he'll keep in touch. ...**Eber Lee Taylor** is in La Habra, Calif., remembers us all, but just can't make the trip this year. ...Also from California, **Bob Ross** writes that they're going to Europe, if they have money left over after repairing earthquake damage! A well deserved get-away. Bob lives in Los Gatos. We hope to see them at the 45th or 50th. (Can those numbers be true!?) ...The winners of a slalom race at the FIS International Trophy Races at Loon Mountain in March of 1990 were Betsy Strong Kent '53 (first), Jane Rupp Cooke '52 (second) and **Nat Child Howard** (third). We're sorry to report that Nat was seriously injured while bicycling in Spain soon after the meet and is now at home in Rye, N.H., courageously learning to cope with paralysis from the chest down. ...**Betty Gale Woods** and **Benny B.** had a great time at the College's Winter Weekend January 19, reporting that the snow was just right for those lazy S turns, especially midway up the Bowl. For those who can make it, WW is a great way to break up mid-winter and get reacquainted with some alums. ...Later in the month **Joan Allen Armour** and **Bill Tracy** attended a reception at the Hartford Historical Society. ...The College recently learned that **Jim Jacober** passed away shortly after our graduation. We offer our belated sympathies to his family. ...We have received changes of address for **John R. Walsh** (4515 Willard Ave., #22045, Bethesda, MD 20815), **Robert M. Dibble** (37822 Poncan Circle, Zephyr Hills, FL 33541) and for **Andrew T. Yang** (100 Devon Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302). Andrew's business address is Associated Professionals, 1411 S. Woodward Ave., Suite 104, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302. ...Bit of trivia: Do you know how many of our classmates have Middlebury spouses? The answer is 54. Fourteen of these make up Class of '51 couples. Not so trivial!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert Francoeur (Mary Halsted), 456 Gurney, Lake Bluff, IL 60044, and Al Mutti, 57 Crooked Trail Road, Rowayton, CT 06853.*

Walter Crowell has retired to Tequesta, Fla., after living in New Jersey for many years. After a very successful career selling computers for UNIVAC and mini-computers for Digital Equipment Corporation, he and wife **Sue (Goyne)** are now living in a home bor-

dering the 12th hole at the Tequesta Country Club. They spend summers in Great Barrington, Mass. While working for DEC he frequently saw **Roger Handy** who was also employed by DEC at that time. Walter and Sue's son, James, graduated from Midd in '84; another son graduated from the Culinary Institute in Hyde Park, N.Y., and is now a chef in Massachusetts. ...**Charlie Rielle** is back with Fieldcrest Cannon, Inc., after spending a few years on his own as an independent sales rep. He travels the N.Y. metropolitan area while working, but has also found time to master the game of golf. When he attended the N.Y.C. alumni reception last December, he saw Bob Morris '56 but no one from the Class of '52. Hope we make a better showing next December. Charlie's daughter, Nancy, graduated from Midd in '82; son Peter in '84; another daughter from St. Lawrence. ...Gloria and **George Gleason** spent the month of February in Costa Rica which they recommend as a great country to visit or make a permanent residence. The weather was ideal and the cities and resort areas uncrowded. They found tourists were warmly welcomed and the Costa Ricans were very congenial. ...**Mary Lou McLeod Agaard** was re-elected president of the North Suburban Library board, is a member of the Glenview Library board and was a delegate to the Illinois White House Conference on Libraries. She has not abandoned the League of Women Voters, though, and serves as the Illinois League's election laws specialist. Husband Jim is computerizing the library at Northwestern University. ...**Martha Peck Burgess** has received certification in her doctoral program with the Union Institute and has had the plan for her doctoral studies and thesis accepted. She will do courses in education and brain research, focusing on the triune brain model to enhance learning for the middle school age group. She and Al Brown continue to travel to wonderful places like Davos, Switzerland, for skiing and Burgundy for barging on the French canals. ...Zaven and **Audrey Frank Vorperian** directed YMCA Camp Nellie Huckins in Freedom, N.H., for 26 summers. Zaven retired last year, but Audrey states that she is too young for retirement and has remained on the staff of the camp as the associate executive director. Their three children are still unmarried, with two in grad school and the third planning on it—so Audrey plans to work for the rest of her life. They live two doors from **Dick Smith** in North Conway, N.H. ...**Jane Rupp Cooke** called from a ski meet in Vermont where her family (and some of my family) were participating. A follow-up letter included pictures of Jan, Jim, their family (four children and three spouses, plus two grandchildren). She also included a picture of the winners of a slalom race at the FIS International Trophy Races at Loon Mountain in March of 1990. They were Betsy Strong Kent '53 (first), **Jane Rupp Cooke** (second) and Nat Child Howard '51 (third). Jane and Jim have done some canoeing in Maine with Pat and **Carol Witham Brewster** and keeps up with quite a few other Midd friends. ...By the time you read this, **Al Mutti** and I will have made preliminary plans for our 40th(!) Reunion in 1992, May 29-31. This is a biggie, folks, and we hope you'll join us in the festivities. It's amazing how light-hearted a gathering of old classmates and their families can make a person feel. If you've come to past reunions, you know this. And if you haven't, TRY IT—YOU'LL LIKE IT!

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Class Secretary: *Mr. Robert C. Kelly, 7 Governors Lane, Shelburne, VT 05482.*

This will be the first of many short columns for the Class of '53, as the College has cut the postage budget for class secretaries. This means we will either mail to the whole class once a year or to a quarter of the class every three months. In other words, you will need to remember to send in news *without* regular reminders. Please do. Maybe the women of the class will start to come through. In response to my last letter, I heard from 29 of the men and only 10 of the women. The College has asked me to inquire of the class if anyone can confirm the deaths of **Ann Mathews Alderman** (May 8, 1987) and **Barbara Whitney Elliott** (April 15, 1987). Please let me know if you can provide any further information for obituaries. ...**Elizabeth Darling Sherburne** reports that Don '51 is once again the chairman of the philosophy department at Vanderbilt. Elizabeth is involved with musicals and genealogical work, passing along family heritage to their widespread children. Son Kevin, wife Carol and grandson David came to D.C. from St. Pete, Fla., for Christmas. Oldest daughter Nancy was there from Carnegie Mellon in Pittsburgh where she is working for her master's in professional writing. Younger daughter Lynn (who works for the World Bank while working on her Ph.D. in economics) and husband Steve hosted the gathering in their new home. The Sherburnes were looking forward to another summer on Lake Dunmore. ...**Link Furber**'s recipe for Middlebury Bread was published by *The American University* last spring. Write him or call for the recipe to make a solid, chewy country bread which makes great toast. ...**Robert Anhalt** has reportedly moved from Brightwater, N.Y., to 227 Milligan Road, West Babylon, NY 11704. ...**Don Faber** has left self-employment as Ideas, Inc., to become a territory manager for S & M Carpet Distributors of Fort Lauderdale. ...**Robert Prosser**'s new address is 205 Sago Palm Road, Vero Beach, FL 32963. ...**Ann Almquist Hartt** has moved from Box 978 in Stowe to Box 928. ...Attendees at the Midd reception at the Hartford Historical Society last January included **Norm Armour** and **Ann Whiteley Tracy**. ...The **Kelly** household is a little quieter this year with Andrew a freshman at Babson College in Wellesley, Mass. Scott, a senior at Rice High School, came down to his last season of high school sports, including his third season at the number one spot on the tennis team. Father and mother Kelly are busy with Bridge Building Images, finding the going slower than hoped, but still promising. Let this be your reminder to send some news.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Peter B. Marshall (Cecily Mattocks), 290 Goodale St., West Boylston, MA 01583, and Peter L. Simonson, 105 Lower Flying Pt. Road, Freeport, ME 04032.*

Chuck and **Ann Heath Fay** are dividing their time between two barrier islands. Summer finds them at the Jersey shore while winters are spent at Hilton Head. Of course, boating works well at both locales. Their five children are located in five different states, from Hawaii to Hilton Head. ...George and **Ginny Buys Hartwell** have been living in Dalton, Mass., for five years. George is business manager and treasurer for the Berkshire Regional School District, while Ginny has been working as a library assistant in the Lenox Library. She reports four grandsons at this writing. ...**Hazel Hoxie Greaves** was planning to retire from teaching in June. Although she has enjoyed teaching math, she wants more time to ski and snowmobile. Daughter #1 was married atop Aspen Mountain in June '89 and daughter #2 lives in Burlington. ...**Chuck** and **Maureen Kane Steinecke** are still savoring the 35th Reunion. They have become taxpayers in Winter Harbor, Maine, and plan to spend summers there when working schedules permit. ...**Barbara Barrett Heekin** moved to Princeton, Mass., four years ago. Her husband is VP of public affairs at St. Vincent's Hospital in Worcester; Barbara is a docent at the Worcester Art Museum. She has three daughters, the youngest of whom, Deirdre, graduated from Midd in '89. ...**Carolyn (Double) Whitmore Baldwin** practices law in Concord, N.H. Her area of expertise is environmental, conservation and land use law. Carolyn and Peter '55 enjoy living in the country with enough land to ward off creeping suburbia. Their three children are just about grown. ...**Dot Kimball Hart** is executive director of CONTACT, Philadelphia, which provides crisis counseling, elderly reassurance and TDD relay for the deaf. Both sons live in the Boston area, Steve in Cambridge and David in Sudbury. The family gets together summers in South Bristol, Maine. ...Your secretary hit the jackpot in a recent *Boston Sunday Globe*. In one and the same issue was a report of the wedding of Stephen Hart (son of **Dot Kimball Hart**) to Jennifer Card and of the wedding of Robert C. Boardman, son of **Gus** and **Sally Robinson Boardman**, to Ellen Thiel. ...David Welling, younger son of **Bert Welling**, graduated from Middlebury last May, Phi Beta Kappa, magna cum laude. Bert reports having met Tim Light in Boston and believes he'll really help Middlebury in the '90s. ...**Eleanor Chapin Cousins** retired from teaching first grade in 1990 and has moved to a log home in Jay, Maine. The property has a great view of the mountains and a 35-acre blueberry field, which Eleanor and her husband are hoping to rejuvenate. ...**Lois Wanstall Kaufmann** sent a clipping from the *Burlington Free Press* with a picture of **Bill Skiff** dressed in colonial garb delivering a fiery sermon at the Williston Federated Church in celebration of Vermont's bicentennial. Bill's sermon was based on one given by Jonathan Edwards. Those of us who have heard Bill at our reunions know that it was probably executed with as much fire and brimstone as the original. ...Class members who have attended alumni receptions recently are **Nick Miller** in Hartford and **Leah Wallat Odden** in Tampa. ...Not retiring is **Dick Davenport**, who plans on running his Heritage Energy fuel oil and propane business until he is 100. He and Betty are enjoying their seven grandchildren, who all live within striking distance. Church activities, skiing and golf fill their spare hours. An invitation to stop by is extended to any classmate passing through High Falls, New York.

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Class Secretaries: *Scotty MacGregor Gillette, 2309 E. Lake of the Isles Blvd., Minneapolis, MN 55405; Junie Stringer DeCoster, 726 Linwood, St. Paul, MN 55105; and Judy Zecher Colton (Mrs. Roger), 3 Long Marsh Lane, North Oaks Farm, MN 55127.*

Andy Johnson Clark has been living on Mount Desert Island, Maine, since the early '80s. Her son and daughter and two grandchildren all live nearby. She loves it there, except for the long winters. When we talked to her in February, she was considering a trip to Arizona. In 1988 Andy visited Bill '54 and **Pat Gibbs Carpenter** in San Francisco, where she also saw Karl and Lois Robinson Limbach (both '54) who live on a houseboat in San Francisco Bay near Tiburon. The Carpenters returned the visit last September. ...**Hap Freeman** and wife Pamela are healthy and happy in Neenah, Wis. They have three daughters living near. They are twice grandparents (one day apart). Summers they spend as much time as possible up north, near Land O'Lakes. ...**Herb Atkins** reports that, after 28 years of

marriage, he and wife Katherine have six children, two of whom still live at home, and six grandchildren. He works for Newport News Cable and, in his spare time, enjoys reading and cheering on the Brigham Young football team. ...In March, Dwight '56 and **Pat Blake Stimson, Dick** and **Mary Lou King Wollmar**, Dick '53 and **Nancy Heiland Worthington** and **Pat Hinman Makin** planned some cross-country skiing in New Hampshire with Kim and **Nancy Walker Faulkner**. ...At the same time, **Bruce** and **Sue Heyer Byers** and Linda and **Frank Punderson** planned to be downhill skiing in Aspen. ...**John Knecht** advises that he has a master's degree from the New School for Social Research in NYC. A jack of all trades, he is a relocation consultant, real estate broker and a teacher of industrial organizational psychology at nearby Warren Community College. He and his wife, Maria, have three children and two grandchildren. ...Another great award for **Jojo Kittell Gallagher**, a recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science. In November, Jojo received the New York STANY Fellow's Award, honoring teachers who have served with distinction as science educators in New York State. Congratulations, Jojo, from all of us! She also writes, "I was just recently elected secretary of the National Middle Level Science Teachers Association at a meeting of the National Science Teachers Association in Houston, Texas."

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Julia A. King, RR 2, Box 99C, Peterborough, NH 03458, and Edward P. MacDowell, 29 Nimitz Place, Old Greenwich, CT 06870.*

A few post-reunion notes: In advance of the big gathering, mini-reunions took place at Midd events during the winter. The December holiday reception for College President Timothy Light in New York drew **Cy Anfindsen, Judy Tichenor Fulkerson, Bob Morris, Di Shulman** and **Mona Meyers Wheatley**. Mona and **Judy Phinney Stearns** met at the Midd reception in Hartford in January. **Ed Schaefer** and **Bill Willetts** attended Winter Weekend, also in January. ...The College reports a new position for **Charles Miller**, who has moved to St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Springfield Center, New York, and for **Mark Hopkins**, now at the International Press Center in London. ...**Luke Tedeschi** is a pathologist at Framingham Union Hospital. ...**Shirley McMahon Oktay** has assumed a position as staff psychiatrist at Westwood Lodge in Westwood, Mass. ...**Edward Whitcomb** writes that he and wife Carla would like to settle in France, after two trips there last year. Ed has completed 25 years with ABC News, where he is now a senior editor with the radio news network. ...**June Higgins Young**, still enjoying her work as secretary in a real estate agency, has two new grandchildren who, she says, "are such a joy and keep me young!" ...**Wendy Buehr Murphy**'s book on garden designs, *Beds and Borders*, has been published by Houghton Mifflin. ...A final, less happy note: The College has received word of the 1988 death of **Duane Castle**, but has been unable to confirm this. If you can provide any information, the alumni office would appreciate hearing from you.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Wayne G. Reilly (Pam Clark), 1339 Biscayne Road, NW, Roanoke, VA 24019.*

With our 35th (gasp) only a year away, it's time to catch up on what's going on with the Class of '57. Please keep us posted by sending us your news. ...**Dave Corkran** reports from Oregon that he has completed 22 years of teaching (history and environmental studies) at the Catlin-Gabel School and his wife, Char, works as a research wildlife biologist. They had a visit from Kay and **Bob Telfer** and their family last July. Dave concludes that "Life is full of battles, most being lost, but I work with wonderful students and colleagues and there is still something left of the once great beauty of the Pacific Northwest, which Char and I enjoy more each year." ...Also in Oregon, **Ann Dwinell Beattie** is a full-time therapist at Portland's Samaritan Counseling Center. ...Californian **Gail Bliss Allen** had a busy year traveling. She went to Vancouver, B.C., for the wedding of a friend, took a trip to Hawaii to help a friend redo a condo and "play tourist" and also had a business trip to San Antonio for a computer conference. ...**Paul Vaughn**'s Christmas letter emphasized how much he and Heidi were enjoying their children, Kim and Kirk, as "adults." We think many of us can echo that statement. The Vaughns have been doing some traveling, too, most notably to Cancun for a 31st anniversary trip. Paul continues to edit and arrange his great-grandfather's Civil War letters and memorabilia. He will also be serving on the Midd alumni board. In the midst of all this activity, we hope that Paul has not forgotten his 1987 promise to compose a "Selected History of the Class of 1957 from the Beginning Until the 1992 Reunion." ...**Sue Lehman Andrews**' riding camp in Richardson, Texas, continues to flourish, with 28 acres, 42 horses, tennis courts and a pool. She says, "It's fun, but very demanding." ...**David Tuttle** recently changed employers and is now senior VP in the trust department of the First National Bank of Maryland. ...Last January, your secretaries spent a delightful weekend in Washington, D.C., museum-hopping with Ron '56 and **Kathy Platt Potier**. The highlight of the weekend was a dinner at the home of Ron and **Alyce Kelly Ostrow**, where we were joined by Anya and **Charlie Sykes**. Some of us had not met in 30 years and it was a wonderful reunion. Charlie, living in Reston, Va., is now vice president of CARE. We also learned that **Peter Decker** and **Joan Grenier Ostrow** attended the Middlebury holiday reception in New York in December. ...**Barbara Ransom Payne** has been promoted to manager of public relations at the Gilbane Building Company. Barb notes with considerable pride that her company has been selected to build the new Boston Garden. ...Having launched their children on their respective careers, **Larry** and Helen Dickey '58 **Curtis** have bought their "last sailboat" and are looking forward to the days when they can cruise the Great Lakes and the Caribbean. We wonder if there is room for passengers. ...**Peter Buettner** has sold his hotel on Corsica and is now splitting his time between that island and the U.S. On one of his visits this summer he hoped to take his 14-year-old daughter to see Midd. Pete sends his best wishes to all of his classmates, as do your secretaries. ...And one other thing: DO '92!

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Class Secretaries: *Mary Roemmele Crowley, 24 Giorgetti Blvd., Rutland, VT 05701, and Joseph E. Mohbat, 551 Pacific St., Brooklyn, NY 11217.*

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. William W. Locke (Noel Caseley), 1326 Stillwater Road, Lancaster, PA 17601, and Henry Pete Erbe, Jr., 12 Longview Ct., Huntington, NY 11743.*

We would like to thank the following class members who have volunteered to be class agents for the next two years: **Irene Yeomans Batal, Barry Croland, Janet Martin Fenwick, Anne Martin Hartmann, Philip** and **Carolyn Kuebler Hodges, Bob Luce, Cynthia Hall Marshall, Henry Moody, Carl Reich,** and **Paul Wise**. Plaudits must also go to **Ron** and **Joann Witmer Anderson**, who served faithfully and very effectively as our lead class agents for the past five years. Each year our participation averaged 48 percent. Their tenure ended with our 30th Reunion. ...**John Medici**'s sons, Eric and Brett, are both at Ohio State Univ. Son Jay is a chemical engineer who commutes monthly between New Jersey and California. *The Lapidary Journal* (April and May '90 issues) had a two-part article on the Medici family and their interests and pursuits in rock and fossil collecting. John is a senior editor with Chemical Abstracts Services; wife Betsy is working with seeds at the Ohio Seed Improvement Assoc. ...**Richard Opdyke**, who has been living in the New Orleans metropolitan area since 1967, is a retired secondary school teacher of French and history with the Jefferson Parish school system. He has watched New Orleans become a major tourist center with its cajun-creole cuisine, historical French quarter, magnificent Superdome and, most recently, its fabulous new Aquarium of the Americas. He is now a tour guide for French-speaking persons, covering New Orleans, the plantations, the state of Louisiana and occasionally trips out of state to Florida, Mississippi, Georgia and South Carolina. ...**Pete Erbe** is now vice president of Keyboard Communications, Inc., located on Long Island. Keyboard is a national multi-faceted administrative services company that provides administrative services on site or at strategically located Keyboard field support centers. ...**Carolyn Parks Behr**'s son, Brad, is a junior at Williams, where he is majoring in astrophysics and is on the track team. Her daughter, Allison, a senior in high school, is a soccer player, ice skater, singer; she is looking at Amherst, Bowdoin, Colby, Middlebury and Williams. ...**Ruth Wininger Reiterman** spent last June in an Oakland, Calif., hospital and its department of psychiatry. Having experienced tragic problems first hand, she made a plea for us all to support increased funding for

Bill Landry '74, Bruce Barkman '59 and Daggy Brunst '74 got together recently to celebrate the end of the academic term and the end of Bruce's term as director of the TESL Centre at Concordia University in Montreal, where Bill and Daggy are students in the Centre's M.A. program in applied linguistics.

human services. "The health of our entire society is at stake." Studying Spanish and exploring the Southwest subsequently brought relief. She also reported that, while she and husband Carl were in the depths of the Grand Canyon, her daughter was at the Santa Cruz epicenter of the S.F. Bay Area earthquake. She survived, but lived the drama of chaos. ...**Diane Hodet Hogendorn** has a son who is a freshman at Swarthmore. Diane is writing articles for gardening magazines. ...Congratulations to **Helen Fitzgerald Cserr**, who continues her work as a professor of physiology and biophysics at Brown Univ. In addition to teaching medical students, undergraduates and graduate students, she runs an active research program. Her laboratory is well-funded and she has a special seven-year award from the National Institute of Health. Every year she has many invitations to speak around the world, which means she and her husband enjoy the interesting people they meet. ...**Granthia Lavery Preston** is a Vermonter again. Last fall she and Fred moved to Montpelier, where he is the executive director of the Green Mountain Club, a non-profit conservation organization involved in backcountry resource management and land protection. They have bought an 1850 farmhouse with spectacular views. They are justly proud of their three children: Brooks graduated from Dartmouth as a geographer, Lynelle '91 is an anthropologist and Camille is a sophomore at Williams. Brooks and Lynelle have both studied in Kenya and convinced Gran and Fred to travel there with Lynelle last July for three weeks. ...Winter Weekend was enjoyed by **Anne Goebel Barkman, Millicent Fairhurst** and **Bob Luce**. ...In other alumni activities, **John Halpin** attended the New York holiday reception and **Eleanor Bliss Heurtley** was present at the holiday reception held in Middlebury. ...We are sad to report the death of **Stanley J. Burdick** on December 16, 1990. An obituary is included in this issue. ...Gratitude persists for those of you who have returned your blue forms. Keep them coming, please. It makes this job not only possible, but also a real pleasure.

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Class Secretaries: *Jean Seeler, Windmill Farm, 18 Upland Lane, Armonk, NY 10504, and Bernard M. Brodsky, 26 White Pine Court, East Amherst, NY 14051.*

Ed and Jane Crittenden '62 **Sommers** have moved to Spartanburg, S.C., where Ed is now vice chancellor for development for the Univ. of South Carolina-Spartanburg, a four-year university with an enrollment of 4,000. Located in the Piedmont, winters will bring them rain rather than snow. Before leaving Champlain College, where he had been vice president for development, Ed concluded an extremely successful campaign there. Eldest son Scott is in Ft. Collins, Colo., associated with the state university, producing correspondence and video courses. In Burlington, Vt., son Mike's Garage Theatre produces original works with a social message as well as children's theater. Linda is in Munster, Germany, studying German and French in preparation for work on a Ph.D. Until they sell their Vermont house, Jane and Ed are living at 1000 Pine Gate Drive, #G123, Spartanburg, SC 29303. ...**Judy Falby Tuttle** is coordinator of special education, Chapter 1 Services, for the Hunt School in Burlington, Vt. Her position has supervisory, coordination and administrative responsibilities for children who have difficulty learning in the public school setting. She enjoys the challenges and the fact that she is no longer actively teaching. In her spare time Judy has continued with her interests in art and has written and illustrated a book. Her *Stenciling Workbook* will be published this fall by Storey Communications of Pownal, Vt. All her children are in Vermont: Beth '93, the youngest, is still in college; Tim works in real estate; John is with Nabisco; Ann is associated with a bank. ...**Robert H. Brown** is no longer on the "lost list." Bob is president of his own company, Numerical Methods Associates, and lives at 79 Tacoma Circle, Ashville, NC 28801. ...**Donald L. Nelson** (1328 Micheltorena St., Los Angeles, CA 90026) has also been heard from after being "missing" for a while. Don is engaged in residential real estate in southern California. ...**Julia Ketcham Tracy** has a new address: 3208 Pine Crest Court, Abingdon, MD 21009. She continues her career in teaching. Son James (26) is an accountant in Arlington, Va., while daughter Megan (22) is working in a museum while waiting for word on her application to the Peace Corps. ...**Lars Carlson** has returned to private industry as vice president and division manager at H.B. Fuller Co. He had been on a paid leave of absence to set up the transition offices following brother Arne's election as governor of Minnesota. Before the primary election, Lars worked on issues and spent a fair amount of time fund-raising. His three main challenges after the election were to establish and organize a transition team and office starting from scratch, pull together and gain an insight into what the situation was as far as budgeting, and do everything in the public eye, where every small step might be misinterpreted. Now that Lars is back in the private sector he says he has no hidden agenda. He wants to watch some ball games on TV on Sunday afternoons at the governor's mansion, stay involved on the finance side and look toward Arne's second term. Lars already has a campaign office set up! ...**Kenneth J. Bart**, M.D., is now director of the National Vaccine Program Office, Dept. of Health & Human Services in Rockville, Md. ...**Helen Smith Folweiler** has been very busy. Daughter Robin completed the fall semester of her Middlebury junior year in Madrid, Spain, and followed that with spring semester in Costa Rica. Following graduation with the Class of '91, she hopes to work at the '92 Olympics in Barcelona. Helen and Bob visited Robin when she was in Madrid. In May they went to son David's wedding on the grounds of Scripps Oceanographic Institute in La Jolla, Calif., on the cliffs overlooking the Pacific. In June they circumnavigated Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket in a sailboat. In November they visited family in Texas, after traveling by way of Orlando where Bob had a business conference and Helen had three days as a kid at Disney World and EPCOT. Helen continues working as a tax preparer in season. The Bedford Garden Club is special fun for her, including the care of her personal "triangle," a road intersection. ...Lee and **Joe Bujold** seem to be commuting from Florida to Vermont. Most recently they enjoyed the 1991 Winter Weekend and they were also at Homecoming 1990. ...Betty and **Pieter Schiler** also participated in Winter Weekend and Homecoming. ...**Vcevy** and Jane Cram '61 **Strekalovsky** rounded out our representation at Winter Weekend. ...**Breck** and **Susan Hibbert Lardner** attended the Hartford, Conn., reception for Tim and Joy Light. ...**Paula Hartz** and **Jean Seeler** did the same at the New York holiday reception. ...Mark down the weekend of October 4-6 for Homecoming 1991. It's a wonderful excuse to take a few days off in Vermont. Hope to see you then. If not, write.

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Class Secretaries: *Mary Jo Aagerstoun, 1716 U St. N.W., Washington, DC 20009, and William F. Wallace III, 14 Muirfield Place, New Orleans, LA 70131.*

The column deadline for this issue was March 1. Look for a complete report on our 30th Reunion in the next issue.

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Class Secretaries: *Anne Thornton Bridges, HCR 68, Box 44, S. Woodstock Road, Woodstock, VT 05091, and John F. Sinclair, 482 Woodbury Road, Springfield, VT 05156.*

Summertime, and the livin' is easy. *Too* easy for this class secretary because very few classmates reported news. Perhaps you are saving your news for next summer's 30th Reunion? For those of us who attended our 25th, we know how enjoyable our 30th will be. See you all next summer. ...**Anne Thornton Bridges, Jane Volland** and **Sue (Sam) McLaughlin McFadd** found their way to Middlebury's Winter Weekend. ...**Nancy Gould Clark** and **Lew Parker** enjoyed a College alumni reception in Hartford, Conn., last winter. ...**Tish Lange Flemma** is now the regional advertising manager for the *International Herald Tribune* in New York City. ...Associate Professor **Sylvia Weber Russell** is with the computer science department at the Univ. of New Hampshire. ...**Barbara (Bambi) Miller Powell** continues her successful career in library science. Barbara has recently become the director of the Concord, Mass., Public Library. Soon after graduating from Middlebury, Barbara earned a master's degree in library science at the Univ. of Michigan and in 1984 another master's degree in public administration at a backwoods school in Massachusetts, named Harvard University. ...As you may recall, **Bob Simon** of CBS News, who was held in Iraq for some weeks during the Gulf war, was a member of our class for one year before transferring to Brandeis. Bob roomed across the hall from me in Hepburn. Our prayers go out to everyone in that troubled part of the world. Peace!

At a scrimmage on March 1, 1991, between the Middlebury College and Drew University lacrosse teams, three generations of Steinles got together. From left are Peter Steinle '62 and sons Peter '92 (who's on the Middlebury varsity) and Tommy '84 (a former lax player). Keeping Tommy company is new daughter Sarah.

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Class Secretaries: *Jane Bachelder Johnson, 625 Talamini Road, Bridgewater, NJ 08807, and Robert W. Clarke, 63 Mountain Road, Hampden, MA 01036.*

Two years ago, **Robbi Niklad Whipp** (P.O. Box 20176, Reno, NV 89515) was accepted into the Artist Registry of the American Craft Council. Last April, some of her fused glass pieces were in a show called *International Women.* She is serving a second term as president of the board of directors of the Reno Chamber Orchestra, which she enjoys—except that fund raising can put a crimp in concentrating on stained glass! It was a delight to receive her note and we would love to hear from more of you. ...Congratulations to **A. Michael Foster**, who has been elected vice president and actuary at the Paul Revere Insurance Group. Even more impressive is the fact that he is a past member of the board of directors of the Greater Boston Council of Boy Scouts of America and is the scoutmaster of Troop 1—Islington Boy Scouts. He lives with his family in Westwood, Mass. ...**Jeffrey S. Entin** went from Middlebury to Boston Univ. Law School and has served as an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association and is a partner in the law firm of Sahady, Entin & Entin. ...**Patricia Moore Backman** is the assistant rector of All Soul's Episcopal Church on Catalina Boulevard in San Diego, Calif. My machine spoke with her machine (her secretary said she was on a retreat that weekend) and her machine returned the call. Pat says that she enjoys her work, has two sons and right now life is just fine. Next time perhaps Pat and I will get to talk to each other directly! ...It is with great sadness that I report on the February 16, 1991, death of **Elizabeth Douty Walker**—to me and to many of you, Beth Douty. Several classmates have shared their memories of Beth: "Her glass was always, always half full." "She had very strong opinions, but I never minded because she was almost always right and always so very smart." "Totally independent and always direct." English Professor David Littlefield wrote, "My overriding impression when I recollect everything I know and feel about Beth is one of admiration for a wholly natural and thoroughly elegant capacity for concentration. Whatever she did, Beth was always in focus. Her gaze was always filled with a mix of curiosity and comprehension. She figured things out at a very high velocity.... She was enormously all-together: concentrated, coherent, comprehending effortlessly the kaleidoscopic world we all live in. We do and shall miss her." A complete obituary appears elsewhere in this issue.

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Class Secretaries: *Patricia Lynch Demas, 3774 Ashford Lake Ct., Atlanta, GA 30319, and Robert J. Baskin, 87-T Olive St., New Haven, CT 06511.*

The wedding was a commercial success—literally! When **Michael Heaney** and Lucia Anne Jackson were married in June 1990, they sailed off into the sunset with a reception cruise down the Connecticut River. To set the scene of success, certainly it would suffice to know that Michael, the Middlebury educated lawyer and Lucia, a recent graduate of Yale Divinity School and a Presbyterian pastor, had decided to unite. But there—in the Lands' End Catalog—we find the happy couple, along with the wedding party, bedecked in "silk nautical sundresses, straw boaters, year 'round blazers, white twill pants, blue striped Oxford shirts and pin dot ties." A true Lands' End Wedding. "Most of us are weekend sailors," Michael explained. "We didn't want to dress formally and we wanted clothes which could be worn for years afterward." Look for these fashion-platers at the next reunion. ...After 20 years in surveying/engineering, **Heidi Holloway Strom** enrolled in the Colorado School of Dog Grooming and now runs Green Valley Glass and Groom in Conifer, Colo. ...Seen at recent Midd events were **Judith Cooper Parker** at a Hartford, Conn., reception and **Bob Youngman** at the holiday reception in New York City. ...We have new addresses for **Virginia Swain** (RR 3, Box 556-C, Lyme, NH 03768, **Joan Schriber Smith** (P.O. Box 188, Huntington, VT 05462), **Cecil Forster** (The Residences at Pier 5, Penn's Landing, Philadelphia, PA 19106) and **Calvin Leman** (Cobalt Ranger District, P.O. Box 729, Salmon, ID 83467). ...In our never-ending quest for current, first-hand information deserving of coverage, we sought out the highest ranking military official we could think of. Confidently we contacted the home of **John Taylor**, sure we'd hear from his family that he was on duty somewhere along the Kuwait-Iraq border. However, it turned out that JT spent the duration teaching strategy and history at the War College in Washington, D.C. Although we got no action-filled war stories, we were pleased to learn that John was safe and sound, now a full colonel asking himself the same what-do-I-do-with-the-rest-of-my-life questions which many of us are asking. ...In the "small world" category, we ran into **John Littel** at the New Haven, Conn., airport one recent morning at 6 a.m. John was dropping his wife off for her flight to a week of Florida sun while he was off to work on his tax preparation and software marketing business.

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Class Secretaries: *Polly Moore Walters (Mrs. Kenneth), 1532 Westview Ave., Fort Collins, CO 80521, and Frederick W. Stetson, 10 W. Canal St., Winooski, VT 05404.*

"The Class of '65 *is* represented in the Persian Gulf," writes Col. **Richard Kennedy** in a note from that war-torn region. His note, postmarked March 28, 1991, reads, "I'm still here in command of 2,000 medics not far from the border of Iraq. Gratefully, we had to care for very few Americans, but we have treated many hundreds of Iraqi prisoners of war and civilians, including women and children. My medical group established 1,200 beds and an evacuation hub here in the northern desert. I never expected that my part-time Army Reserve career, which began at Midd, would bring me here to the Gulf. This has been an interesting and demanding challenge. All of us here appreciate the tremendous support the folks at home have provided. It made a big difference. I'm looking forward to an early summer retreat to the green of Vermont." He gave a return address of Operation Desert Storm, 803d Medical Group, APO New York 09734. ...Last February, **Sally Brinkmann Blaser**'s photos of Guatemalans were exhibited in the Abernethy Room of Middlebury's Starr Library. According to Kay Lauster of the Starr Library special collections staff, Sally's interest in Latin American culture has followed a variety of paths, from analyzing river basins for hydroelectric projects, to leading groups of students and business people to Central America, to taking photographs. These photographs were taken in the central highlands of Guatemala. Sally admires the underlying strength and dignity of the people, whose lives often offer only poverty, lack of opportunity and political violence. Through her photos, she hopes to awaken a feeling of universality. "If you can see a glimpse of your son or of your grandmother or of a good friend in one of the portraits," she says, "then you are seeing them as I was beginning to see them." She planned a return trip to Guatemala to photograph the plight of children. In Denver, she facilitates "Children's Legacy Workshops" for families in which a child has a life-threatening illness. The families create a family portrait (montage-photography-mixed media) that "expresses their truth about the way they relate to each other and communicate with each other." She has studied photography with Ron Wohlauer at the Community College of Denver. Exhibitors of her work include the Colorado Photographic Arts Center and CORE New Art Space in Denver and the Breezeway Gallery in Golden, Colo. ...Dr. **Thomas Berner**, who practices emergency medicine in Asheville, N.C., reports that he has rekindled his old interest in flying since he and two other men purchased an aircraft. Privately he confides that this machine enables them to reach new heights, where they are "close to discovering the nature of the universe." Dr. Berner whispers, "more later." ...Our sources tell us that **Steve Beebe, Pete Holcombe** and **T. Tall** attended Middlebury's 1991 Winter Weekend; **Tana Sterrett Scott** attended Midd receptions in Hartford, Conn., and Middlebury; and **Judith Couperus Radasch** attended the Midd holiday reception in New York City. ...From Duxbury, Mass., (prettiest town in the United States), **Pete Branch** writes that he is selling products throughout New England for American Dental. Because the company is based in Birmingham, Mich., Pete has seen fit to drop in on that state's famous hockey coach, **David "Stuffy" Jensen**. "Dave was coaching his son's Pew Wee team when I arrived," Pete tells us. "He reminded me of Duke (Nelson) a little when he got excited when one of his players skated right by the puck! We gave **Grant Matheke** and spouse a call in Alaska and gave Grant 'the business' for not being on hand last June. Who cares if Alaska is on the other side of the Continent!" We approve of this well-guided type of phone call. And we feel confident reunion activists such as **Peter Donavan** would second our approval. ...**Kim Cartwright**, senior pastor of the Federated Church of Orleans, on Cape Cod, is pursuing a doctoral degree at Andover Newton Theological School in Massachusetts. Kim's wife, Pat, is a part-time nurse. They have four children. Kim also takes guitar lessons and says he enjoys "skiing, racquetball, swimming, gardening and crocheting." ...From Colorado, **Tim Hopf** reports two "big events": His wife, Nancy, became an administrative law judge for the city and county of Denver and "I went heli-skiing in the Cariboo-Marishee range in British Columbia—absolutely the best vacation I've ever had." ...**Linda Wheeler Juliani** reports that her husband, Dwight, is senior pastor for the First Congregational Church of Madison, Conn. "Living on the shoreline with the ocean a half mile walk away is wonderful," Linda writes. "The church has renovated its beautifully historic 1800 parsonage *totally*, inside and out, and we have plenty of room for visitors. Last weekend, we were pleased to have Tana and Charlie Scott here—and we'd love to see any of you who might be passing through. Our house is directly across the green from the church on the Post Road (554 Boston Post Road, Madison, CT 06443)." ...**Stan Thomas** writes, "I am recently divorced after three years of separation. One year ago, I moved to the LaCrosse, Wis., area to take a new job after 17 years with my last employer. The owner of my last business decided to go out of business." ...**Paul Witteman**, *Time* bureau chief in San Francisco, traveled to Europe to

prepare for that magazine's coverage of the 1992 Olympic Winter Games in Albertville and Barcelona. "Despite the Gulf War," Paul says, "other parts of magazine journalism do go on—if barely. Did a piece on Vietnam vets living in the jungle of the Big Island of Hawaii. It was a wrenching piece to do. Hope all is well in Vermont. We need lots of precip here." ...Once again, we would like to thank you all very kindly for your news. If you haven't had a chance to write, now's a good time to drop us a card. We really appreciate hearing from *you*. We are proud of you for your triumphs and even *prouder* of you for facing life's struggles.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. J. Dudley King (Rita Crocitto), 31 Gull Point Road, Hilton Head, SC 29928.*

Hopefully, our Reunion weekend and the autobiographies we all contributed to the yearbook have gotten many of us back in touch and brought us up to date on the happenings in each other's lives. ...Congratulations to **Gary Bevington**, (prof. of linguistics and coordinator of International/Intercultural Studies at Northeastern Illinois Univ., who was awarded a Fulbright to lecture in Germany from February to July 1991. His lectures were to be given at two universities which have been centers of academic and research excellence for centuries, Friedrich-Schiller University in Jena and Martin Luther University in Halle (both located in the former "East Germany"). Gary was to lecture on the world of the American Indian, American civilization, the structure of American English and the sociolinguistics of American English, as well as offering a translation course on American Indian literature. A member of NIV's faculty since 1971, he is also a part-time faculty member at the Native American Education Services College in Chicago. After his B.A. and M.A. from Midd, Gary received his Ph.D. in linguistics from UMass/Amherst. ...Vermont's Commissioner of Education **Rick Mills** is working hard to preserve the department's education goals while at the same time cutting the budget because of the state's fiscal problems. "Money is very important, but it is not the whole story," he said. "The thing that is driving achievement in Vermont is the commitment of hundreds of people. If we back down now because we had a year of tough times, we would be breaking faith with thousands of people around the state. I use the opportunity to talk about dollars as a time to talk about performance. We have to win the argument about performance no matter if the argument comes down to money. There's too much riding on it."

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. William H. Hearne (Deven Hayford), 324 Ayrault Road, Fairport, NY 14450, and Mr. Richard E. Roller, c/o Tabor Academy, Marion, MA 02738.*

Once again I want to begin my comments with a sincere "thank you!" to Deven for her unflagging efforts in keeping this column alive and for sharing with us her wit and good cheer. After two years of having my hand in a cast (not really), I am ready to try to start carrying my weight in this undertaking. Also, for the first time in three years (really!), I have received letters from several of our classmates. This makes it much easier to compose an interesting column and I join Deven in her quarterly plea: PLEASE WRITE! We would love to hear from each of you and look forward to passing your news along. ...**Joan Viehdorfer Roller** and I are well and, like many of you, are busy watching our family grow. Oldest son Kevin has graduated from Johns Hopkins Univ.; son Tim is a freshman at Duke. Our daughter enters high school next year and gives us one more shot at having another Panther in the family. We continue to live and work at Tabor Academy in Marion, Mass.—second to last town before you cross the canal onto Cape Cod—and would love to have any and all travelers stop in on their way to the Cape. Joan is teaching math and doing college counseling at Tabor; I am enjoying the luxury of a year's leave, pursuing a master's program at Harvard. Being back in school full time after 25 years (count 'em!) and commuting four days a week to Boston is a real change; so far, a very enjoyable one. ...As I write, son Kevin is in California enjoying the hospitality of George '66 and **Susan Rugg Britton**. Several years ago, the entire Roller family partook of the Britton Motel and found the accommodations most satisfactory. Kevin was so impressed he has returned for a prolonged stay. More on this unique West Coast resort appears below. Susan, staff development coordinator at Cyprus College, is in charge of professional growth opportunities for the entire college community, including administration, faculty and staff. Last year she got together with **Susan Weaver Sullivan** for five days in Puerto Vallarta, snorkeling, cruising and relaxing. Tough duty! ...On Kevin's drive through Colorado, he was also offered the hospitality of **Gary Olinger** and his family. Gary lives just outside Denver and has become an enthusiastic horseman. His son, Todd, graduated from Middlebury last June and was waiting to enter the Air Force. When I saw Gary two years ago at our 25th high school reunion (Go Chieftains!) I was impressed that he did not look a day older than when we were in college. He made the same comment about me. I was reminded about how keenly perceptive I have always felt the two of us are. ...A good letter from **Bob** and **Kathy Landry Geckle** informs us that Bob is now president of Bronson Ultrasonics Corp., a division of Emerson Electric in Danbury, Conn. Kathy, who works part time as a display stylist for Ethan Allen furniture, tries to accompany Bob on some of his frequent business trips. Their daughter, Sarah, graduated from the Univ. of Rhode Island last spring; son Beau is a member of Middlebury's Class of '93. Kathy reports that their nephew, Matt Bonner, is Middlebury '91. This brings to *10* the number of Middlebury people in the Geckle-Bonner family! I see a potential reunion award in the making! ...**Susie Davis Patterson** writes that she and **Tom** recently returned from a year in Australia where Tom was on sabbatical from UVM. While "down under," they got together with **Dana Brigham**, sharing several exciting rock climbing expeditions. They also met up with Rowland Illick, who was leading a group on a trek through Australia. Susie says, "Tom and I were thrilled to talk to his group as resident experts on Australia and get complimented by the master geographer himself." She and Tom also stayed at the Britton Motel—henceforth upgraded to inn status—on their way to and from Australia, commenting, "the Brittons graciously facilitated our wonderful sightseeing, touring and partaking of the good life." Susie and her Midd roommate, **Livvy Barbour Tarleton**, and their families got together at last January's Winter Weekend. Susie, Livvy and their daughters "had a great day" at the Snow Bowl, enjoying "good snow, warm and familiar lodge, a hug from Dwight Dunning '68 and the good feelings of long friendship and sharing fun with our girls, nearly the age we were when we used to ski those same trails—a little faster. My daughter got too cold after a few runs, so of course we had to tell her how much colder it was in our pre-polypropylene days when we came into the lodge, unlaced our boots and sat before the fire with tears streaming down our faces as feeling came back into our toes. We both loved our college days, but the distance of a quarter century has softened and redefined our memory images to make them even sweeter and more meaningful than the originals." Thanks for the memories, Susie. Keep those cards and letters coming! ...**Gordon Appleby** (4600 Connecticut Ave., #710, Washington, DC 20008) is now working for the Academy for Educational Development. ...**Huck Fairman**'s new address is 103 Mount Lucas Road, Princeton, NJ 08540. ...**Linda Morse** lives at 877 Alma Place, Oakland, CA 94610. ...**Anne Daignault Hartman** is now vice president of New Directions in Boston. ...**Christina Jagger** is a senior editor for Laubach Literacy International in Syracuse, N.Y. ...**Alice Milnor Norton**'s address is 245 BD Pereire, F-75017, Paris, France. ...**Jon Berger** has established an environmental consulting firm, Expert Information Systems, Inc., in the Philadelphia area. ...**Steven Cornwell** serves as president of Marketing Control Systems, a company he recently formed. ...**Craig Ehrich** is vice president and general manager for Aleat Construction Inc., in New York City. ...Again, we very much want to hear from all of you. With our 25th Reunion only a year away, you may rest assured that you will be hearing more from us. We hope to see you all. Remember, as I have been saying for the past 20 years, "No person is so noble as that person who volunteers." Words to live by as you think of Reunion '92!

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Class Secretaries: *Shari Galligan Johnson, 230 Hopkinton Road, Concord, NH 03301, and Dr. Bentley C. Gregg, 418 East St., NE, Vienna, VA 22180.*

Dr. **Steve Amster** participated in Operation Desert Storm. His overseas address was Col. Steven Amster, SSN 151-36-6425, 382nd Field Hospital, APO New York, NY 09772. We hope he is back in Jesup, Ga., by the time this appears in print. ...In August 1990 **Barb Ellison Flood-Stokes** and her family moved to Tucson (239 South Country Club Road, Tucson, AZ 85716), after a "lifetime of Vermont winters!" She was hoping to find a job as a reading specialist. ...**Michele MacKellar Sakurai** (12 Woodland Ave., Bronxville, NY 10708) is still involved with her career at the United Nations. In light of recent world events, it must be an exciting place to be. Michele and husband Makoto have a four-year-old daughter, Monica Carver, who keeps them busy and happy. She would be pleased to hear from people in the area. ...**Bob Calder** has been on a one-year leave of absence from Virginia Power as a participant in the president's Executive Exchange Program. He was assigned to NASA's Office of Commercial Programs, an office charged with promoting the development of commercial space technology. It has proved to be a technically challenging experience for Bob, as well as rewarding in terms of public service. ...**Al Lindsey** is a practicing vet in Manchester, Vt. His new address is P.O. Box 64, Dorset, VT 05251. ...**John Shoup** is now a math teacher at Sacred Heart School in Greenwich, Conn. ...**John S. Allen** and wife Elisse Ghitelman report the birth of their first child, Jacob Alexander Allen, on March 7, 1991. John is working as a writer about bicycling and an expert consultant in bicycle accident lawsuits. He is a member of the Massachusetts Bicycle Advisory Board and the Governor's Highway Safety Council. Elisse, head of the math dept. at Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall School in

A high-flying Christy A. Hitchens '69 grins in celebration of her 3,000th skydive! Please note the sandals! Living in Houston, she works for Exxon Chemical as a quality systems manager.

The 10th Annual All Alumni Basketball Game was played on January 15, 1991, bringing together, seated, from left, Mike Waggett '82, John Humphrey '88, Jon Torrant '71, Greg Birsky '79, Peter Quinn '71 and Paul Righi '82; standing, Terry Ryan (referee), Bob Hamilton '81, Lans Teal '86, Greg Sheffer '86, Kevin Kelleher '80, Ted Virtue '82, John Flanagan '71 and Tom Lawson, director of athletics.

Jennifer Hamlin '72 married Tracy Church in Pemaquid, Maine, on July 7, 1990.

Waltham, Mass., is also a bicyclist and Jacob put in 2,129 prenatal miles with her on the recumbent bicycle (which classmates may remember from the 20th Reunion). ...On a somber note, we need help in confirming the death of a classmate, **Frederick Ehmann**. The College has received indirect reports that he died in 1988, but has been unable to verify them. Any information you may be able to provide will be helpful.

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Class Secretaries: *Elinor Livingston Redmond, 1235 Sawyer Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107, and Keith J. Conners, 418 Dogwood Drive, Salisbury, MD 21801.*

It has been fun to open my mailbox to find two, three and sometimes four or more yellow forms, answering our request for news from you. Besides being an absolute improvement over bills and junk mail, hearing from you has provided fascinating reading about our class. Since the news must be abridged to fit this column, you may send me (**Elinor Redmond**) a "SASE" and I'll send you an unabridged transcript of all responses. ...First to respond was **Peter Reynolds**, principal of Richards Elementary School in Newport, N.H.: "**Dave Cleveland**, accidental author of a wonderful but little known children's book, *The Frog on Robert's Head*, drove over from Woodstock. He visited kindergarten and first grade classes during "I Love to Read and Write Week," regaling our young authors with readings from his newest book. It was a treat to visit with him and to be the first school he has visited as an author since *Frog* was published in '81. Although we miss living in Montana, it is nice to have "connections" with fellow alumni in this area. Both spouse and I are in the Reserves—as of this writing uncalled." ...**Jack McMahan**, by his own admission silent for "damn near 21 years," recently re-visited Middlebury and stayed overnight with Debra and **Alan Cort**. Jack's life has taken him to Germany for three years in the Army, to West Virginia to develop a ski resort named Snowshoe and then to "a career in the insurance business which led from Montgomery, Ala., through Roanoke, Va., and finally to Greenville, S.C. Today I own a large agency which specializes in insurance products and services for the building materials industry. Clients in 22 states and offices in Greenville, Atlanta and Dallas keep me on the go. My wife, Susie, and I have a 2-1/2-year-old son, McKenzie. I also have two teenage daughters, Tobi and Christy. I still have golden retrievers, enjoy rambling in the Carolina foothills, bird hunting and fly fishing." ...**Peter Harris** writes, "We spent last year in Cork, Ireland, where we were visited by **Doug Barr** and his family, as well as **Steve Thomas** and his wife." Peter can be reached at 12 Dalton St., Waterville, ME 04901. ...**Mary McBean Saunders** is an administrator for the Lake Forest Graduate School of Management in Schaumburg, Ill. She married for the second time two and one half years ago and is the mother of daughter Gabrielle (20), son Todd (17) and son Jamie (15). ...**David Speert** also has three children: Rachel (9), Nate (4) and Zack (2). He lives with his wife, a play therapist, in Vancouver where he is a professor in the department of pediatrics at the University of British Columbia. He is the head of the division of infectious and immunological diseases. ...**John Tidd** sold his ski area in 1988 and now builds snow grooming equipment for cross-country ski trail preparation, as well as continuing to train ski instructors for PSIA certification. ...**Christy A. Hitchens** recently celebrated her 3,000th skydive. Living in Houston, Texas, Christy works for Exxon Chemical as a quality systems manager. She hoped to make it as far into "the frozen North" as Newburgh, N.Y., this summer. ...In Littleton, N.H., **Jim Hoverman** continues to work as a sales and marketing manager for P.J. Noyes Company, where sales have increased every year since he joined them in 1986, despite the recession in New England. His wife, Jacki, is a radio DJ. They have two sons, Alex (15) and Kevin (12). Alec was selected as a New Hampshire All-State soccer player as a sophomore this year. ...**Deborah Lunt** (formerly Salley) remarried in '89 and has two boys, ages 4 and 8. She is a counselor in children's protective services for the state of Florida. ...**Adrienne Miesmer** lives in Cambridge, Mass., with her husband, William Cosel, and two daughters, Gabrielle (11) and Molly (7). She owns a film production company where she writes and produces films and videos for the maternal and child health markets. ...**Tom Shreeve** lives and works in Arlington, Va., with wife Molly and "two handsome children," Andrea (6) and Toby (3). He was recalled to active duty in the Marine Corps to support Operation Desert Storm. ...**Burt Knapp** is a family physician in Gorham, Maine. His son, Matt, is headed to MIT in aeronautical engineering in the fall. Daughter Faith is a high school junior and youngest Chris is in sixth grade. Burt's wife, Nancy, works at a doctor's office here in Cape Elizabeth. ...**Sam Eaton**'s law practice concentrates on criminal/civil litigation. He says he does "all sorts of trials—death penalty—general criminal—civil business litigation. For fun: travel, motorcycling, gardening (when we have water)." And he still limits his work hours. ...Here in Cape Elizabeth, **Dan Redmond** and I are fine. He continues to enjoy his job as a VP in charge of the equity portfolio at UNUM and plays as much golf as possible. We have been adjusting to the ups and downs of an "empty nest" this year as Susan is a freshman at Tufts and Tyler a sophomore at Deerfield. I spend time tutoring, doing miscellaneous volunteering and traveling about the country with Dan on business trips. ...We have address changes for **Shirley Markland** (15 Union St., Brandon, VT 05733), **Anne Sykes Hoffman** (46 Pine Brooke Road, Bedford, NY 10506), **Gael A. Dougherty** (14550 West End Road, Arcata, CA 95521), **Peter DeYoe** (2030 S.E. 100th Ave., Portland, OR 97216), **Addison C. Hall** (24 Princeton Road, Wellesley, MA 02181), **Jeffrey E. Brown** (102 Hoit Road, Concord, NH 03301) and **Richmond T. Edes** (253 Elm St., Concord, MA 01742).

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Class Secretaries: *Sue Thompson, P.O. Box 326, Mystic, CT 06355, and Andy Wentink, P.O. Box 356, Hohokus, NJ 07423.*

Dave Desrochers reports that his radiology practice has just opened a new office devoted primarily to mammography. He and wife Elsa (Parrington) '71 and their two children, Danielle (13) and Max (9), are very involved in competitive sailing and other water sports. After receiving some snapshots of our 20th Reunion last June, they feel even worse about not having made the trip north. Let's start putting the pressure on them—and all those other no-show friends and classmates—*now* for the 25th! Write to Dave and Elsa at Blackbeard's View, Bath, NC 27808. ...**Pam Brooks** has been working with noted teacher and author Annemarie Colbin at the Natural Gourmet Cookery School/Institute for Food and Health in Manhattan. The school offers courses and workshops on health-related food preparation, the relationship between food and wellness, etc. Pam is a 1990 graduate of the school's six-month intensive chef's training program. She and husband John Van Camp live at 673 Locust St., #4D, Mount Vernon, NY 10552. Pam would like to hear from **Anne Lovell, Donna Jenckes, Adele Kiefer Kricheff** and any other alumni who are interested in food and health. ...**Pat Williams** has been elected president of the New England Library Association, where she says she has taken a step toward more "global thinking" in her work. She continues to direct the Southeastern Connecticut Library Association and to chair her local board of education. She and husband Rick Holloway live with their two daughters, Alison and Cindy, at 32 Ferry Road, Chester, CT 06412. ...**Dan Hutner** published his first book, **The Rational Investor**, last November and is already at work on his second, also on investing, to be published by Praeger later this year. In December '90, Dan became president of Pulsifer and Hutner, Inc., a Wall Street investment management

firm. He is also a general partner of Avalon Partners, L.P., an investment fund which applies the principles outlined in his book. In his book, Dan urges a turn from the "speculative frenzy" that characterized the financial markets of the 1980s to a more rational approach in the '90s. "Business excellence, like any other form of excellence—artistic, athletic, intellectual—takes years to develop," he explains. "The best companies have been doing essentially the same thing for years and years, but they do it very well. Investors in such companies won't make millions overnight, but they will become very wealthy." Makes good sense to us! Contact Galena Press, Box 2014, Princeton, NJ 08543 for information on ordering Dan's book. ...We have address updates for **Chris Carr** (197 Wickenden St., Providence, RI 02903), **Barbara Cole** (133 Saratoga Road, #A10, Scotia, NY 12302) and **Reinaldo Rivera** (129 Franklin St., #118, Cambridge, MA 02139). ...We're eager to have more news from all of you. There's a lot of catching up to do with too many of our classmates. Write often and soon!

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Class Secretaries: *Paula Morgan Wyman, RD 1, Box 1395, Arlington, VT 05250, and Gay Mann Folland, RFD 1, Box 180-2A1 Tasker Hill Road, Conway, NH 03818.*

By the time you read this, our 20th Reunion will have come and gone. A full report of the festivities will appear in the next issue.

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Class Secretaries: *Judy McCormack Culhane, P.O. Box 25864, Honolulu, HI 96825, and William E. Carlough, 54 Pleasant Ave., Pleasantville, NY 10570.*

Libby Merrill Groff is the assistant director of academic programs and services for Charter Oak College, Connecticut's external degree program for adult students. Her duties range from advising students to acquainting businesses and employers with the degree program. ...**Sarah Colwell** and **Jan Halstead Franklin** attended Winter Weekend in Middlebury. ...**Chris Gent** went to the Middlebury gathering at the Historical Society in Hartford. ...The December '90 holiday reception in New York City was attended by classmates **Cynthia Bear, George Cady, Bill Carlough** and **Chris Whipple**. ...**Judy Carlough** is now the vice president/general manger of XTRA Radio in San Diego. ...**Jennifer Hamlin** married Tracy Church on July 7, 1990, in Permaquid, Maine. **Denise Degutis Jernigan, Mark** and **Sally Davidson Foster**, Talbot '40 and Allison Sanford Hamlin '41 (Jennifer's aunt and uncle) and Jennifer's brother, Sam '77, were in attendance. Jennifer became a wife, mother and grandmother, all at once! Tracy's daughters, Sarah (14) and Shelly (11) spend alternate weekends with them and Cindy (24) visits with her three-year-old daughter. Although they live in Michigan (11151 Summerfield Road, Petersburg, MI 49270), Jennifer still works as director of public relations at Ohio Wesleyan Univ. in Delaware, Ohio. She has an apartment in Delaware so that the 2-1/4-hour commute does not have to be made daily! Jennifer has a special message for the greater Middlebury family (taken from her favorite sweatshirt): "Don't take your tissues and organs to Heaven. Heaven knows we need them here!" After a year on dialysis because of acute kidney failure, Tracy was fortunate enough to receive a kidney transplant. Jennifer encourages all Midd alumni to be aware of the great gift of life that can emerge from a sad or tragic death. ...**Judy McCormack Culhane** had the great pleasure of hearing Andy Wentzel '73 and his wife, Karen Nickell, perform in *The Marriage of Figaro* with the Hawaii Opera Theater. Andy was superb singing the role of Figaro and Karen did a wonderful job as Cherubino. ...**Bill Collins** has returned to the U.S. after spending almost 13 years in Israel. In January Bill began his new position as chief of the cataloging division of the copyright office at the Library of Congress. Bill, wife Rachel (Brunstetter) '73 and their two children moved into their new home (6819 Stoneybrooke Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306) in late December. In Israel, Bill had been director of the International Baha'i Library and Rachel had been head curator. In addition, Rachel founded a children's library for the families of Baha'is serving at the Baha'i World Centre. Bill's manuscript, *Bibliography of English Language Works on the Babi and Baha'i Religions, 1844-1985*, has just been published by George Ronald in Oxford, England. Bill's essay, entitled *Sacred Mythology and the Baha'i Faith*, was awarded the 1990 Association for Baha'i Studies Award for Excellence. He is also continuing work on a second master's degree, this one in social sciences from the Maxwell School of Syracuse Univ. He presented papers at this year's annual conference of the Association for Baha'i Studies and at the conference of the American Academy of Religion. Rachel has been taking courses in cultural resources management at Meredith College, as well as training at the North Carolina Museum of History. In her spare time she has been refinishing furniture. Their children, Jonathan (11) and Sarah (8), have been enjoying school in the U.S., "though they are unfortunately losing their Hebrew rapidly." ...**Karen O'Donnell** was recently appointed marketing manager for the Latin American operations of GE Plastics. She "looks forward to the challenges of developing new business in Latin America, especially as trade opportunities increase over the next few years. I'm also excited about utilizing my Spanish once again after majoring in it at Middlebury." Karen joined GE Plastics in 1981 as manager of press relations and has held various marketing specialist positions since then. ...We have received word that **Gerry Thomas** served with the Navy in the Persian Gulf. We are hopeful that by the time you read this he will have returned home safely. Gerry's address as of this writing is Commander Gerry S. Thomas USN, USMTM, PSC, Box 1205, APO New York, NY 09038. ...Rosemary and **Bill Carlough** welcomed a second son, Mark Thomas, on September 25, 1990. Tim (4) is enjoying his role as older brother and has already started training Mark in how to be rambunctious. ...**Diamond Jim Gamble** has left the snows of Rochester, N.Y., for Fayetteville, Ark., where he is enrolled in an MFA program in writing at the Univ. of Arkansas. Jim also teaches freshman English and spends his spare time cheering on the Arkansas basketball team. He has been seen playing b-ball himself, on one occasion with the senior editor of the *Atlantic Monthly*. Jim continues his work on the great American novel. ...**Peter Driscoll** spent a week in October 1990 as artist in residence at the Fayston Elementary School in Vermont where he introduced students to the world of mime. He worked with the children leading them through movement exercises, theater games and specific mime skills. He also performed his theatre piece *Frame of Mime* for the Fayston community. In addition to his work as a mime, Peter wears a second career cap as a producer of organic lamb and wool on his family sheep farm. ...Although it's still a year away, now is the time to mark your calendar for our 20th Reunion, scheduled for May 29 to May 31, 1992. We hope to see you all there.

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Class Secretaries: *Kathryn Winsberg, 4808 Moorland Lane, #1006, Bethesda, MD 20814, and Dean Nikitas, 7 Second St., #19, Pittsfield, MA 01201 (413-445-5082.*

Bill Burke is enjoying his first year as headmaster of St. Sebastian's School in Needham, Mass. He often sees Middlebury friends **Chris** and Charlotte Caldwell '74 **Burr**, **Mike Ryan**, Mike Goldberger '72 and John Tuohy '71. ...**Jose Lopez** was appointed an associate judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia last September. Before his appointment, Jose was a partner in the law firm of Smink and Scheuermann, P.C. He had served as a part-time attorney member of the D.C. Board of Appeals and Review, chairing a three-member hearing panel review-

Six Middlebury people work together at Landmark College in Putney, Vt. From left are James Olivier '72, president of Landmark; Carolyn Ungberg Olivier '71, director of admissions; Lynne Shea (M.A. '90, Bread Loaf School of English), supervisor of English instructors; Jim Cacos (current Bread Loaf School of English student) and Dan Toomey (M.A. '89, Bread Loaf School of English), tutorial supervisors and student advisors; and Rob Schnelle (M.A. '89, Bread Loaf School of English), a tutorial instructor. Landmark is the nation's only college exclusively for bright students who have dyslexia or learning disabilities. It focuses on teaching language skills needed for college success.

ing appeals of administrative actions on business licenses and various permits. He was also a part-time member of the D.C. Traffic Adjudications Appeals Board. Jose has been involved in community causes as a two-term member of the Mayor's Commission on Latino Community Development in D.C. and a member of the Hispanic Bar Association Steering Committee responsible for demonstrating the need for an interpreters' program in the Superior Court. ...Out and about: **Guy Kettelhack** and **Gladys Waltemade** were seen exhibiting holiday spirit at the Midd New York City holiday reception last December with new College President Timothy Light. ...**Georgiana Ross** celebrated at Denver's Middlebury holiday gathering. ...**Kevin Kenlan** and **Larry Novins** enjoyed Winter Weekend festivities at Middlebury in January.

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Class Secretaries: *Barbara Schultz King, P.O. Box 77, Ripton, VT 05766, and Jim Ware, 90 East Bare Hill Road, Harvard, MA 01451.*

Phil Verre has been appointed director of the Hudson River Museum in Yonkers. He comes there from the Bronx Museum of the Arts, where he had been the deputy director and most recently the chief administrator. Phil has a master's from Clarke Institute, where he specialized in 19th century European art. He has since written several articles, catalogues and essays. ...**Tom Harman** is living in Fairfield, Conn., with wife Susan and three children, Alison (10), Peter (7) and Elizabeth (4). Tom has been working for Shearson Lehman Bros. as a corporate attorney for one and a half years. He claims that it has been tough going there for a while but that things are looking up now. ...**Lyon Filmer** has been dealing with a number of very difficult and painful family issues for the last few years, but she reports that she is working hard to recover. She is living in Berkeley, Calif., with husband Gregory DeMascio. Having applied her artistic talents to silk screening for more than 10 years, she is now looking for a job, perhaps involving photography (she has produced a picture book). As a volunteer at radio station KPSA-FM, she produces one-hour news or topical shows. She thinks about New England a lot, especially since the earthquake. During the quake, she spent some time trying to keep a large cupboard from toppling over. Neighbors said they saw her house jump up and down on the slab foundation, so she feels lucky to have only lost a large mirror. ...**Sam Jackman** works in respiratory therapy instruction, teaching medical students and residents how to take care of people on respirators and ventilators. Sam lives in Flushing, Mich., with wife Tracey and two children, Peter (5) and Anna (nearly 3). ...Congratulations to **Kevin Candon** and Mary Susan Ojala, who were married on February 9, 1991. They spent a week cruising the Caribbean with stops in Jamaica, Grand Cayman and Isla de Cozumel. Kevin has a law practice in Rutland, Vt., where he has been working with the same partner for 10 years. He handles a variety of legal issues from criminal law to real estate. He is also hard at work improving his golf game and would be happy to test his skills against anyone passing through Rutland. ...**Dagmara Brunst** returned to Montreal a couple of years ago, after living in India for 13 years. She tells a fascinating story of going over to study Hinduism in a small religious setting (Tiruvanamalai) near where Saint Ramana Maharishi had taught 20 years earlier. Since then she married Mouli (his full name has too many characters) and taught English as a second language at a Lycee Francais in Pondicherry on the southeast coast of India. While working on her master's in applied linguistics at Concordia University, she is now teaching English to adult immigrants. **Bill Landry** looked Daggy up after he saw her name in recognition of winning a local essay contest. To their surprise, they discovered that they are in the same master's program and more recently in some of the same classes, one of which is being taught by a Midd grad. Bill is in Montreal after teaching English in Japan for a number of years. ...**Sally Johnson** writes from Milton, Mass., where she lives with husband Geoff and two "wonderful and adorable" sons, Daniel (5) and Steven (2). Daniel is already showing artistic talent by drawing Ninja turtles and Steven enjoys singing along with Raffi. Sally is a clinical social worker in the chronic pain unit at the Spaulding Rehab Hospital. She works with patients and their families to help them cope with and understand pain. Sally finds it fascinating and really enjoys the multi-disciplinary setting. ...**John Cochrane** lives in Boise, Idaho, with wife Barbara, son Fritz (ninth grade) and daughter Tova (sixth grade). After college, John lived in New York for three years, intensively studying violin. He now teaches orchestra, plays violin in a local orchestra and in a mariachi (Mexican folk group) and often plays at square dances. When not playing music, he and his wife enjoy the great outdoors in Idaho, which John claims is a lot like Vermont. They organize five-day family whitewater rafting trips on the Salmon and Payette Rivers in the summer and back country ski trips in the winter. They recently designed their home which is in a beautiful location facing the Boise foothills. Last summer, the whole Cochrane family went to Scotland and Wales for a month; two family reunions there included a 50th anniversary celebration for his parents, who also traveled over from Boise. John says there were 41 Yankee cousins joining in the festivities. They traveled all around enjoying the local folk music and spent time at an Eisteddfod, a Welsh festival of national culture.

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Class Secretaries: *Tim and Carol Blakely Counihan, 27 Percy Road, Lexington, MA 02173.*

Sue Martin wrote a news-filled letter from Atlanta on the last day of her maternity leave. Her second son, Christopher, joined son Eric (3) on October 24, 1990. Sue is VP of professional services at Egleston Children's Hospital, an affiliate of Emory University, which is nationally known for transplants, cancer treatment and genetics. Sue runs into **Genevieve Clonan Pearson**, who also lives in the Atlanta area with her husband and two children. Sue writes, "The highlight of our winter was putting Eric on skis" in Park City, Utah, where she met her husband, Bob Dudiak, seven years ago. Sue says, "You can never start them too early to be ready for the Middlebury ski team." How true! ...While teaching our two sons to ski at the King Pine Ski Area in Madison, N.H., we ran into **Debbie Shadd** with her husband and their three children. Debbie is also teaching her kids to ski and at the same area where she skied as a child. Sounds like there'll be some excellent talent for the Midd ski team in about 2005. ...**Bill O'Connor** writes from Ann Arbor, Mich., that he recently released a 12-song cassette of original music, entitled *Tea on a Rainy Day*." The songs synthesize many musical influences: American folk and country, traditional Celtic and acoustic new age, to name a few." Bill, who performed in the Band Room, has been a soloist in acoustic bands at folk festivals, concerts, clubs and contra dances for more than 15 years. Bill writes, "I'm still performing, but I've gotten *a lot better*." Copies of his cassette are available from Mad River Music, P.O. Box 87591, Canton, MI 48187. ...**Diana Stoianovich Revson** traveled from New York to attend **Paula Welles Sheehan**'s September 14, 1990, wedding. Paula has left her job as a VP of Citibank after 15 years and has been seeking employment in the environmental field. ...**Rick Eldridge** and Joan Vandegrift '76 now have three children, Jonathan (2) and twins Hannah and Sarah (6). ...We received Christmas letters from **Tony Paticchio** and **Ray Lord**. Tony is senior counsel in the investment law department of CIGNA in Hartford, Conn. Last year one of Tony's projects was saving a 150-year-old historic stone house (a stop on the underground railway), by having it moved to a new location. The house became "a group home for six sight-impaired residents." Tony, wife Susan and son A. Dan (age 20 months) traveled to Wyoming, where Tony and A. Dan attended their first rodeo and visited Yellowstone, Shell Canyon and Medicine Wheel in the Bighorns, as well as the Tetons. ...**Ray Lord**'s actuarial business, Associated Actuaries, is doing well. He still has more computers than employees—and seems to like it that way! Ray, wife Estelle and their three children live in Cranford, N.J. Two of the children have taken on a 4-H project to raise a guide dog. They got the dog at eight weeks and will return him at 14 months. Ray writes, "During the year we have him, we will take him to biweekly training sessions and expose him to as many situations as possible. The dog is a sweetheart." ...**Jim Kingsley** appeared on Jeopardy last January and, though he came in second, he made a respectable showing, with a total of $13,500. (Unfortunately, you don't get to keep the money unless you win!) Way to go, Jim! ...**Kevin** and Carolyn Porter '76 **Donahue** attended Winter Weekend '91. Another weekend, they ran into **Mark Uppendahl** skiing at the Snow Bowl. ...**Rick Jurmain** and his family recently moved to San Diego from St. Louis. Rick loves his work on the DOD-funded "Single Stage to Orbit-Strategy" project for General Dynamics Space Systems. The goal of the project is to develop a rocket that is 100 percent reusable. Rick conducts alumni interviews of prospective students for Midd. His wife is a writer. His four-year-old son enjoys the beach and the Air and Space Museum. Like father, like son! ...**Alan Finkel** and **Carolyn Miller** live in Carrboro, N.C., with their three sons, Lee (6), Sammy (4) and Oliver Lloyd (6 months). Oliver Lloyd was named after classmate **Lloyd Davis**, who lives in New York City. Alan is a neurologist at a community hospital and Duke Medical Center. Carolyn is a physician's assistant and runs the Orange County Planned Parenthood Clinic. While visiting Boston this spring, Alan stayed with **Katie Straus**, who freelances as a special programs planner for such notables as gubernatorial candidate John Silber. Alan said he "got a great response" to his letter to the editor on fraternities, which you may remember from the *Middlebury College Magazine* Spring '90 issue. ...Maj. **Kathy Smith Ward**, an information officer with the U.S. Army, was on active duty in the Persian Gulf during the war earlier this year. It might interest you to know that in February the Middlebury alumni office wrote to Kathy and to 18 other alumni and family members of Midd staff to lift their spirits and express concern for their safety in the Gulf. We are thankful the war ended when it did. Kathy's address is SSN 449-90-9729, HHC, 1st Armored Division (DAMO), APO New York, NY 09761. ...We've enjoyed your letters and hope to hear from many more of you. Just call or drop us a line with your news.

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Class Secretaries: *Catherine Colton Drake, 546 Hilaire Road, St. Davids, PA 19087, and Jim Vear, 5222 W. Winona, Chicago, IL 60630.*

It was great to hear from **Keith Block**, who wrote that he is a partner in the law firm of Rothgerber, Appel, Powers & Johnson in Denver. He specializes in representing financial institutions on transactional, litigation and bankruptcy matters. Following graduation he attended Emory University and received his J.D. in 1979. He married a fellow law student in 1980 and they moved to Portland, Oregon, where Keith worked for McMenamin, Joseph, Herrell & Babener. After several years he left private practice to become an assistant general counsel for Orbanco Financial Services Corporation and the vice president and general counsel for First Interstate Commercial Corporation. Keith and wife Connie have two daughters: Stephanie, born September 29, 1985, and Karen Ilana, born May 8, 1989. ...**Terry Bouricius** has been working at the Onion River Food Coop since 1979. He also performs in an a cappella rock group and a jazz/tap dance troupe. But his major claim to fame is in politics. He is serving his fifth term as a Burlington City Councilor as a leader of the Progressive Coalition (a local third party movement) and last November won election to the Vermont House of Representatives on the third party ticket. Terry notes that his working class district gave Bernie Sanders, Vermont's new independent socialist Congressman, around 70 percent of the vote. On the home front, Terry reports that he is "alas still single." ...**Joan Vandegrift** is manuscript editor of the History of Science Society. Husband Richard Eldridge '75 is an associate professor of philosophy at Swarthmore College. His book *On Moral Personhood: Philosophy, Literature, Criticism, and Self-Understanding* was published in 1990 by the Univ. of Chicago Press. Joan and Richard had a son, Jonathan Vandegrift Eldridge, on January 23, 1989, who joins twin sisters Hannah and Sarah (born Mary 3, 1984). ...The talented **Joe Ochman** directed the Westport Community Theatre's production of *Harold & Maude* last December. Joe has acted and directed for WCT before and his extensive background in theater includes acting and directing for the Theater Artists' Workshop of Westport, as well as roles in Music Theater of Connecticut's production of *The Fantasticks, The Runner Stumbles* at the Polka Dot Playhouse and in *Personals, The Birthday Party* and *The Time of Your Life* in Doug Taylor's Connecticut Center Acting Ensemble at Fairfield Univ. Joe has appeared on television in *One Life to Live, The Equalizer, Wish You Were Here*, various commercials, and in the movies *Big, Cadillac Man, Moscow on the Hudson* and *Falling in Love*. ...**Amy Rosmarin**, artist and management consultant, is marketing a miracle shampoo, inspired by the pending sainthood of Pierre Toussaint. While painting a portrait of Toussaint, Amy said, "a whole line of miracle haircare products appeared to me!" Toussaint, born a slave, supported the family who ultimately freed him by using his hairdressing talents on the heads of 18th century New York society. Amy plans to donate a portion of "St. Toussaint's Miracle Shampoo" proceeds to charity, since Toussaint himself did much social work after he was freed. Since graduation, Amy has traveled to India, Central America, and Yale's business school, and now her product (complete with her portrait of Toussaint on the label) can be found in NYC's tony shops.

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Class Secretaries: *Libet Campbell Peters, P.O. Box 1, Edgartown, MA 02549, and Robert C. Lindberg, 6 Jefferson St., E. Granby, CT 06026.*

Christine and **Bill Hosley** welcomed their first child, Abigail, during 1990. Bill also completed an exhibition and book, entitled *The Japan Idea: Art and Life in Victorian America*. After 10 years at the Wadsworth Athenaeum, Bill reports feeling a bit like an antique himself. He is actively involved in a project for Middlebury's new museum with an exhibition for Vermont's bicentennial celebration. ...**Rod Bicknell** (493 Blackwood Drive, Longwood, FL 32750) is the assistant golf professional at Sabal Point Country Club in Longwood, Fla. He is attending the Golf Academy of the South in Casselberry, Fla. ...**Robert Bruns** and family have moved to 4 Mulberry St., Ridgefield, CT 06877 from Maplewood, N.J. Bob and Paula added another member to their family on July 19, 1990, when Timothy Joseph joined older sister Katie (7) and big brother Ben (4). Bob is working as senior manager-benefits systems for Deloitte & Touche. ...Renee and **Todd Ellison** announced the arrival of Melanie Jean on November 28, 1990. Todd concedes that being with Renee during Melanie's arrival has increased his respect for every mother. ...Dr. **Jon Cook** wrote from Operation Desert Storm to express his appreciation for the thoughtfulness and concern of the Middlebury community. John was stationed in Bahrain with the 47th Field Hospital Medical Unit. Writing in February, he was hoping for a rapid resolution and the chance to return home in time for the new football field inauguration and the last Middlebury/Norwich Thanksgiving game. He also reports staying in touch with **Karl Miran, Jim O'Connell, Tim Harrington** and Dave LaPann '78. Our best wishes to Jon and the other members of the Middlebury community and armed forces serving far from home. ...**David White** and **Stephen Bright** were present at the January alumni reception at the Connecticut Historical Society in Hartford. ...**Michael Katz** and **Mary McBride** attended the New York holiday reception, while **Pam Johnson** represented the class at the Midd-Vermont holiday party. ...We have new addresses for **Susan Kenyon Wesner** (Stage Road, Buskirk, NY 12028), **Christopher Hare** (611 Loma Linda Place, SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108) and **Grant Moore** (Hampshire Eye and Ear Associates, 61 Locust St., Northampton, MA 01060). ...Our thanks to all who wrote. We look forward to hearing from the rest of you soon. P.S. The Reunion Countdown has begun!

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Class Secretaries: *Lucy Newell Hancock, 15 Amber Road, Hingham, MA 02043, and Robert K. Race, 21 Willowdale Road, Topsfield, MA 01983.*

While all eyes were on the Persian Gulf earlier this year, several Middlebury alumni were serving in the armed forces on duty there. Among them were Major **Carolyn Smith Graves** and her husband, Major Ralph Graves, both of the U.S. Army 1st Armored Division. We hope that they are home safe now or will be soon. ...**Ty** and Abby Wilson '79 **Howe** are working hard to keep up with their three boys, ages 5, 3, and 1-1/2. Ty wonders if any other classmates have been involved in Operation Desert Storm. Specifically, what about **Matt Granger**? ...**Paul Aaronson** and family are still in London, with no plans to move back to the States any time soon. Second son, Jesse, arrived on February 28, 1989. Older son Korey has developed a decidedly British accent! ...**Scott** and Amy Henriquez '75 **Gillingham** and their two children are busy with sports, academics and duties on their farm in Guelph, Ontario. Since graduating from veterinary school, Scott has become director of marketing and technical service for an animal health company. He says, "Where are you, **Jack Lyons**? Give me a call at 519-763-4695." ...**Carole Ryder** wed Gary White on September 8, 1990, at Sandy Point, Maine. For seven years, Carole lived in Rockport, Maine, where she was the sales manager for Yankee Books in Camden. Now living in Rhode Island (170 Briarcliff Ave., Warwick Neck 02889), she is the New England region sales manager for Yankee Books. Carole and Gary are thinking about doing a sea kayak expedition with Rick '75 and Barbara Swett Burt '77 of Day's Ferry, Maine. ...**Lynne Reichart Graves** has returned to the employee benefits business, starting up a new department in the Cincinnati, Ohio, office of Rollins Burdick Hunter.

Madison Elizabeth Gilmore (at 7 months), daughter of Susan and Curt Gilmore '78, sports her new Middlebury bib while swinging at the Clarendon Street playground in Boston.

Carole Ryder '78 and Gary White were married on September 8, 1990, at Sandy Point, Maine.

A great Gabriel gathering occurred on June 2, 1990, when Steven Gabriel '81 married Lisa D. Lowry (Mt. Holyoke '80), bringing together, from left, all Gabriels, Andy, Suzanne, Faith, Richard, Helen, the newlyweds, Robin, Trip '77, Alice (Simon) '77 and Bert.

Laura Cassedy '82 married Rene Bernier (Georgetown '84) on August 18, 1990, in Bethesda, Md. The wedding party included Margaret Elkin-Van Gelder, Susan Hansen Reagan '82, the newlyweds, Karen Cassedy '79 and Martha Kurtz.

Timothy Walker and Ann Sudkamp '83 (seated inside Alaskan outhouse) were married on June 17, 1990, and are building a cabin near Fairbanks which will have electricity — but no running water. Wedding guests with the newlyweds included, from left, Jana Sudkamp, Mindy Baum '83, Sharon Tait, Megan Nadeau and Gina Price.

Lynne, husband Harry and their three sons (ages 8, 6 and 3) visit Vermont quite often, spending several summer weeks in Grand Isle on Lake Champlain and making an annual ski trip in the winter. ...David and **Claudia Strong Fulton** have three sons, Will (8), Sam (6) and Alex (2). Claudia is involved with the elementary school PTA, the Junior League and her church, plus she is a trustee of the local children's hospital. In her spare time, she plays tennis and cross-country skis. David is a partner with the investment firm Stein, Roe and Farnham. ...**Kathy Wolf Fabiani**, who is a staff assistant in the history department of the European University Institute in Florence, Italy, also does translations and English editing. Her two children, Sophie Micol and Enrico Mario, are now 10 and 6. ...**Nancy Greenwald** (160 McKeon Drive, N. Attleboro, MA 02760) and her husband recently moved to N. Attleboro, which is the hometown of **Dyann DelVecchio**, who kindly gave them a tour of her "pre-Midd" paths. Nancy spent two years at Dartmouth Medical School and is now at Brown University Medical School for her final two years. ...Ray Dunn and **Mary Beth Haberkorn** were joined by daughter Elizabeth on December 4, 1989. Mary Beth is a technical support engineer for Cayman Systems (MacIntosh-UNIX networking products); Ray has his own woodworking business. ...**Peggy Baldwin Briggs** and family have moved from Lexington, Mass., to Concord, where their new address is 253 Elm St., 01742. ...**Ellen Hall** (13 Harbor Watch, Burlington, VT 05401) left her job with Skis Dynastar and started her own business, importing and distributing European sportswear and ski apparel. Her company, HallSport, is the exclusive U.S. distributor for Conte of Florence. Ellen is enjoying Burlington and has taken up skiing again, having been inspired by her four-year-old son, Cameron, who loves the sport. ...After four years in London, **Jerry** and **Betsy Bradley Coughlan** moved to Hong Kong in January 1990, just in time to welcome second child Ian on May 1. Jerry is head of Morgan Stanley's capital markets activities in Southeast Asia. Betsy keeps busy raising Kelley (3) and Ian, doing volunteer work for Vietnamese refugees and acting as purchasing agent for a cousin's U.S. mail order catalogue business. Betsy and Jerry are taking advantage of the terrific travel opportunities in Asia, but they usually manage to spend part of the summer in Maine.

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Class Secretaries: *Sharon Flack Mussomeli, Department of State, Colombo, Washington, DC 20521-6100, and Katie Weidman Jones, 2621 Canyon Falls Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32224.*

Rashmini Yogaratnam, together with her mom, dad and younger sister, took a winter tour of South Asia. While in Colombo, Sri Lanka, to visit her uncle, Rashmini called **Sharon Flack Mussomeli** and we were able to get together a couple of times. Anyone else who finds himself or herself in Colombo is invited to visit the Mussomeli family at 65 Layards Road, Colombo 5 (telephone 588961). Rashmini, now a banker, following a stint with the U.N., lives in Brooklyn. ...**Sandy Buzby** was married on Saint Patrick's Day last year and is now Sandy Buzby Whalen. Unfortunately, no other details are available. ...**Tina Ball Carrick** won her election and is now a library trustee in addition to rearing two beautiful children—and considering work as an illustrator of children's books. ...Please remember to send news about yourself and our classmates. If you don't have time to write, try sending a newsworthy photograph!

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Class Secretary: *Robin Putnam, 63 Lakeshore Drive, Colchester, VT 05446, and Rich Silton, 68 Wesson Terrace, Northboro, MA 01532.*

We are happy to report that the information continues to pour in! Thank you for making our jobs easier, especially when it's so close to deadline time. ...**John** and Marcy Parlow '81 **Pomerance** are happy to announce the birth of their second son, Justin Nathaniel Pomerance. Justin sports reddish hair like his brother, Jared. ...Kelli and **Bob DiLisio** (120 Brainerd St., South Hadley, MA 01075) announce the recent birth of Nicholas Edward (Ned), affectionately named after his two grandfathers, who are both believed to be working on a new method of teaching three-month-old boys how to golf and fish. ...**Jennifur Fields** reports that she and Michael Condon are happily settled in Chicago, where Niffur is employed at Leslie Hindman Auctioneers as director of arts and crafts. This covers furniture, precious metals, etc. She is also an auctioneer there and in her spare 23 minutes each week she sells her sister's T-shirts, jewelry and ceramics and volunteers for the Chicago Architecture Foundation. She has a rabbit named Wiley who can carry his own with a word processor, firing off a rather lengthy Christmas letter to all of Niffur's friends. ...**Ken Shulman** recently published *Anatomy of a Restoration: The Branacci Chapel*, which received rave reviews in the December 23 *Boston Sunday Globe*. This meticulously detailed and researched book defends the restoration work being done on artistic masterpieces. Ken is working for the Associated Press in Italy where he files special reports for the *New York Times*, the *Times of London*, etc. He is also doing some TV commercials and writes for some local papers reporting on soccer and art. ...**Tom Ward** has taken a new position as director of marketing at Bread and Circus Whole Food Supermarkets. Tom, now married and living in Weston, Mass., landed very neatly on his feet after his former employer was sold to a competitor. ...Dr. (yikes!) **Wouter Rietsema** (8150 S.W. Barnes Road, #C302, Portland, OR 97225) has headed west to continue practicing on unsuspecting patients. ...And from the further annals of Batts South, we report that **David "Juice" Heires** is now an assistant tax editor for Ernst & Young International in New York. ...Another doctor in our midst, Dr. **David Halsey** will attend to your orthopedic ills in his new office at Mountain Orthopedic Assoc. in Windsor, Vt. ...**Beth Soanes** married Dan O'Brien ('88 Yale) on June 16, 1990. They now live in Philadelphia, where Beth goes to Hahnemann Medical School and Dan to Temple Law School. ...**John Caffry** writes that he and wife Ellen welcomed their daughter, Anna Charlotte, into the world on May 31, 1990. Now we know why he wasn't at the Reunion! John is a partner in the Glens Falls, N.Y., law firm of Noordsy & Caffry, specializing in environmental law. ...Classmates who have moved across the Atlantic include **Mark Aspinwall** (131-B Southgate Road, London N1 3JZ) and **Ted Miller** (26 Gordon Place, London W8). ...When the German capital moved from Bonn to Berlin, **Susie Estes Wolter** and family also moved (13 Ebersstrasse 35, D-1000, Berlin 62, Federal Republic of Germany). ...**Laura Kirk** has left the temperate climate of Virginia for the mountains and snow of Colorado (498 S. Sherman St., Denver 80209) and **Lydia Mueller** has headed to Alaska (1042 H St., Anchorage 99501). ...Please keep the cards and letters coming, especially for those of you who haven't made it into this column in the last year or two. Our addresses are above, or feel free to call—as long as it's not collect!

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Class Secretaries: *Elaine King Nickerson, 3 Brattle Drive, #3, Arlington, MA 02174, and Joshua M. Horowitz, 2829 Bonnie Lane, Stockton, CA 95204.*

Congratulations to **Robert Hamilton**, who was honored at Homecoming '90 with the College's Young Alumni Achievement Award. A teacher at Umana High School in Boston, he designs programs for student retention through athletic and academic excellence. ...**Jean Epps Jacobson** (6506 Callander Drive, Bethesda, MD 20817) reports that she married Marc J. Jacobson on May 5, 1990. ...Craig and **Susan Ross Powers** (165 Wrights Crossing Road, Pomfret Center, CT 06259) welcomed a new daughter, Candace, on

September 28 1990. ...From Florida, **Margie Higgins Cox** (969 Haas Ave., N.E., Palm Bay, FL 32907) writes that she married Dale Cox (U.C.F. '76) on November 2, 1990. Margie, who coaches soccer and teaches at Vero Beach High School, says that she recently ran into **Nat Damien** at Jackson Hole. ...On June 2, 1990, **Steven Gabriel** married Lisa D. Lowny (Mt. Holyoke '80). They now live at 315 Williamsburg Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20901. Lisa is a manager of international business for COMSAT, while Steven is both a Ph.D. candidate in mathematical sciences at Johns Hopkins and a consultant to Arthur D. Little, Inc., in Washington, D.C. ...**Andy Auber** has finished at Georgetown School of Medicine and has completed his residency at Letterman Army Medical Center, San Francisco, in radiology. He and wife Ilonka hope to be moving to Hawaii soon. ...**Dorsey Milot** reports that she has ended her latest trans-oceanic sailing adventure and has taken a job as senior development officer at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute. Dorsey will miss living in Newport, but she says the opportunity at Woods Hole is too good to miss. ...**John Burchard** recently enrolled at Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern in Chicago. He is a member of the Class of '92 for his MBA. ...**Jim Tenner** was recently promoted to the position of advanced messaging-marketing vice president at AT&T's Easylink Services. He and wife **Cindy (Yasinski)** live in Westfield, N.J., with their two children. ...**John Amato** (1409 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., San Anselmo, CA 94960) recently left Coopers & Lybrand to join Price Waterhouse as a tax manager. He and wife Nancy had a daughter, Carrie Alyse, on October 3, 1990. John and his family live in Marin County and he was happy to say that he missed the great '89 earthquake, as he and Nancy were on their honeymoon. ...**Mark Holzbach** (RHS Mansion #203, 5-5-1- Higashi Nakano, Nakano-Ku, Tokyo 164, Japan) is ensconced in Tokyo after finishing his master's at MIT and doing further work at the Tokyo Institute of Technology. Mark is chief software engineer at SibaSoku/Asaca Corp., a maker of professional-use digital audio and video equipment. He's living with longtime companion Dana Friis-Hansen, a curator of contemporary art. ...In Haines, Alaska, Chip '79 and **Heather Vuillet Lende** are still enjoying the frozen north. They own a lumber yard and, when they're not working, they enjoy the outdoors. They recently had their fourth child, Joanna, who joins Eliza (7), Sarah (6) and Christian (2). Heather says they had a real treat last year when the movie *White Fang* was being shot on location in Haines. If you look closely you might see the Lendes! ...Reunion was a gas and we missed all of you who couldn't make it. Keep the correspondence coming. We can't do it without you!

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Class Secretaries: *Polly Mitchell Ranson, 27 Lafayette St., Hopewell, NJ 08525, and Stephen P. Kiernan, 189 N. Winooski Ave., Burlington, VT 05401.*

The selectmen of the town of Ipswich, Mass., have hired **Sue Bailey** as the new town accountant. Sue has worked as a budget systems analyst at the New England Life Insurance Company and at Price Waterhouse's management consulting division in Boston as a senior consultant. After Middlebury, Sue graduated from MIT's Sloan School of Management and spent a semester at the London School of Economics. ...**Andy Quint** (3509 Murray Place, El Paso, TX 79902) and wife Ellen Hosmer had a son, Landon Joshua Hosmer-Quint, on October 23, 1990. Andy's in his second year of a combined internal medicine/pediatrics residency program at William Beaumont Army Medical Center in El Paso, Texas. ...**Beau Coash** married Jennifer Johnson on June 15, 1990. They can be reached at Box 131, Lincoln Center, MA 01773. ...**Rob Davis** and wife Becky announced the arrival of Chloe Rebecca Davis on November 19, 1990. ...**Brian Weeks** married Laurie DeLater (U. of Michigan '86) on December 29, 1990, in Rochester Hills, Mich. Laurie is a journalist and Brian is one-third of his way through getting a doctorate in clinical psychology at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University. He and Laurie can be found at 675 N. Terrace Ave., #7D, Mt. Vernon, NY 10552. ...**Jonathan Kamien** married Leslie Amass on August 26, 1990, in Andover, Mass., after which they honeymooned in the White Mountains of N.H. **Joshua Tower** and **John Fairbanks** were among the Midd folks in attendance at their wedding. Leslie received her Ph.D. in experimental psychology from Boston Univ. last June. In the middle of May they planned to move to Burlington, Vt., where they each have accepted research positions at the Human Behavioral Pharmacology Laboratory, Department of Psychiatry at UVM. Jon also reports that he visited Mad River several times during the winter and skied with **Phil Fier** and Vinna Dunn '81 and can't wait to live within a half hour of the place. ...In October **Michael Kountze** (Apt. 15-201, 7536 E. Warren Drive, Denver, CO 80231) transplanted himself from Providence, R.I., (where he hung out with his neighbor **Rodney Sanders**) to the mountains of Colorado. He is working as a senior pricing analyst for a financial services/leasing company, Capital Associates International. He says sorry, he's not married yet and won't be until either the aforementioned Mr. Sanders, **Leroy Nesbitt, Phil Hamilton** or Jeff Chow '83 take the plunge! ...**Jane Oski** reported that she is a fourth year med student at Johns Hopkins Hospital and will have graduated by the time these notes appear. She begins her residency in pediatrics in July '91. While traveling the U.S. for residency interviews she ran into Mike Lyons '83 in Seattle, where he's a family practice resident, and saw Karl Hildebrand '83 in Chicago, where he's acting with a Chicago theater company. ...Monica Donnelly '81 married Peter Godwin on August 18, 1990. They are living at 57 Melton Court, Old Brompton Road, London SW7-3JH, England. ...On August 18, 1990, **Laura Cassedy** married Rene Bernier (Georgetown '84) in Bethesda, Md., her hometown. **Susan Hansen Reagan**, Karen Cassedy '79, Margaret Elkind-Van Gelder (Wesleyan '82) and Martha Kurtz (Swarthmore '81) were her bridesmaids. Laura has made the "big leap" across the Potomac to settle with Rene in Arlington, VA (1733 Queens Lane #124, 22201). Since graduating from Midd, Laura earned her master's in Russian and East European studies from Yale, spent a year in the Soviet Union on an exchange program, conducted research on the Soviet economy, and taught Russian language at Georgetown. This fall she plans to begin a Ph.D. program in comparative government. Rene has a master's in economic development from the University of Cambridge and works as a research economist for Cornell University in its Washington, D.C., division for food and nutrition policy. ...**Joan McKenna Hatheway**, who married Larry Hatheway in June 1989, is employed with the City of Austin, Texas, where she manages the low income housing program. Larry is a graduate student at UT and they are living at 4603 Sinclair Ave., Austin, TX 78756. ...**Tara McMenamy-Sheahan** quit her job in sports TV/event production to be a mom to Caelin McMenamy Sheahan, born June 29, 1990. Tara and her husband, who is a marketing manager with Nike, just bought a beautiful old house in N.W. Portland (3344 N.W. Vaughn St., Portland, OR 97210). Tara says she spends a lot of time talking about diapers and drool with **Kathy Connor Neiley**, who had a daughter, Emily, in November, and her sister, who had her third child, Molly, in November. ...**Sue Long** (Box 355, Tabernash, CO 80478) is in her third year of living in the Fraser Valley area of Colorado. She has continued to be very involved with cross-country skiing as a coach, instructor and competitor, though she's now turning her focus to landing a job in education. From May through October, Sue works for the Colorado State Forest Service. While subsitute teaching last winter, she also taught skiing on weekends and coached the U.S. Disabled Ski Team part time. If anyone is in the area, stop by Devil's Thumb X-C center for a visit! ...**Melissa Pope** (262 Baltimore St., #3, Gettysburg, PA 17325) is still working on her dissertation for the Univ. of Virginia. She hopes to finish it next year. ...A couple of our classmates, **Jean Deason** and **Leroy Nesbitt**, attended Winter Weekend at Midd, while **Bob Hill** went to the Midd reception at the Hartford, Conn., Historical Society in January. ...**Paula Carr, Lori Geiger, Michael Gibbs** and **Jib Martens** attended Midd's New York City holiday reception with new president Timothy Light, while **Robert Stein** and **Cam Tyler** went to the holiday gathering in Denver. ...Our apologies to **Mary Beth Litster Cockerham**, whose name was spelled incorrectly in the Spring 1991 issue of the *Middlebury College Magazine*. ...Your class secretary, **Polly Mitchell Ranson**, also paid a quick visit to Middlebury in early February for a little spring skiing.

Seven Middlebury friends from the Class of 1985 were together on October 20, 1990, to celebrate the marriage of Lissa Briggs '85 and Bryan Welage in Cinncinati, Ohio. Bridesmaids Lyn Hermann, left, and Maureen Menikheim are on either side of the newlyweds. Behind them are Yana Samuel, Suzanne Poulin Rowan (the matron of honor), Karen Rockow-Chalmers and John Rockow-Chalmers.

Following their May 27, 1990, wedding in Philadelphia, Susan Wysoki '88 and Jonathan Joseph '84 celebrated with Middlebury friends at Memorial Hall in Fairmount Park: from left, Lori Greenberg '88, Kimberly Welsh '88, Meta Schrenk '88, the newlyweds, Alan Bunker '84, Matthew Fisk '85, Michael Hodosh '84 and (kneeling in front row) Norman Lyons '83 and Peter Nytzen '84.

Susan Gavlick and David Ballard, both '86, celebrated with Middlebury friends following their marriage on July 21, 1990, in Fairfield, Conn. All are class of '86, unless otherwise indicated. From left, front row, John Aicher, Henry Persons, Brad Nelson, Bob Sakaniwa, Sharon Ballard '87, Mary Catherman '88 and Chris Peters; back row, Ron Palmeri, John Corcoran, Gary Domoracki, Greg Sheffer, Jennifer Kemp, Melissa Marquardt, Phoebe Twichell Peterson, Rick Peterson '84, the newlyweds, Margaret Gill, Ginny Thomas, John Hersperger, Sharon Creem '85, Adam Silverman, Mike Paterniti and Rich Sobel.

A joyous crowd of Middlebury friends and relatives celebrated the April 1990 marriage of Alice Andrews and Luke Loveys '86. First row, from left, Greg Sheffer '86, Mike Morrissey '85, John Hersperger '86, Ed Buchser '85, James Loveys '82 and Mike Donovan '85; second row, Ralph Loveys Jr. '80, two unidentified friends of the bride, the newlyweds, Susan Gavlick Ballard '86, Steve and Cynthia Eberts Bensen, both '86, and David Ballard '86; third row, Gary Domoracki '86, Gene Sachs '86, Henry Persons '86, Ralph Loveys '51, John Aicher '86, James Luke '50, Brad Nelson '86 and Victor Luke '51.

Even with all the construction going on, the campus still looks great. If you haven't visited in a while, you're in for a treat at our 10th Reunion! Speaking of our Reunion, don't forget the dates: May 29-31, 1992, and don't forget to write and help us keep everyone up to date.

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Class Secretaries: *Allison D. Burroughs, 2429 Locust St., #202, Philadelphia, PA 19103, and Kenneth F. Edwards, 9 Aerial St., Arlington, MA 02174.*

Fifty miles east of the Bering Sea, in the middle of the Yukon-Kuskowin Delta, lies the town of Bethel, Alaska, home of Dr. **Steve Genereaux**. Steve received his M.D. from Dartmouth in 1987 and then spent his residency at UVM. In October 1990 he decided to set up his practice in the land of the Yupik Eskimos. Steve and two other doctors supply the medical care for 50 Yupik villages in the Bethel area, with a total population of 22,000. The care ranges from delivering almost 400 infants a year to training the Yupiks on what diabetes is and how it will affect the lives of those who have it. Most importantly, however, Steve says he provides reassurance. "A Yupik will come into the clinic and tell me that something hurts. If I find nothing wrong, I'll say 'You're fine. Don't worry.' With that reassurance, the Yupik patients will go away happy and feeling better. There isn't the second-guessing of doctors that exists in the lower 48 states." Steve says that the best part about being in Bethel is the culture. The schools are largely bi-lingual and bi-cultural. Not only do Yupik students have to complete their math lessons, but they also receive training in fish trapping, hunting and traditional Yupik dance, called Yuraq. The dual nature of the Yupik education helps them hold onto their culture. Steve notes that the area has a shortage of Yupik teachers which makes bi-cultural education a more difficult task. "You really see the clash of the Yupik and Gussik (the Yupik name for white man) when you watch children perform the Yuraq while wearing Nintendo shirts." Steve also hopes that there will soon be a Yupik doctor in Bethel. "The hardest part of my job is communicating. Only 33 percent of the Yupiks are fluent in English. Meanwhile, I'm learning Yupik as fast as I can. A native doctor would really make it easier to communicate," as well as lightening the present heavy workload and serving as a great role model. Right now, the only help Steve and his two colleagues get is from health aides who are assigned to small individual clinics in each village. Steve finds fascinating the traditional ways in which Yupiks deal with death and, specifically, a higher-than-average infant death mortality. Yupiks used to live in small, round, dome-like structures. The structures had a round hole, called a smoke hole, cut into the roofs. When a member of the family died, the survivors would take the body out of the smoke hole rather than the front door because they believed the body's spirit would then go to the "Spirit World" rather than the "Underworld." Similarly, the Yupiks believe that the soft spot on the top of a baby's head during its first year means that the baby is "just visiting" the village. Babies are coddled and revered to try to convince their spirits to stay for good. If a baby dies, it's assumed that the spirit decided not to stay in what is described as the "Here World." Instead, the spirit has decided to leave the baby's body through its soft spot and rise to the "Spirit World." Steve hopes that his work and that of his colleagues will help to reduce the Yupiks' high infant mortality. Steve will be in Bethel until at least the end of 1992. Until then, he'll continue to enjoy this beautiful area in Alaska, where the trees look like bushes and the Yupik culture maintains supremacy. ...**Peter Conard** is getting his master's in architecture at the Univ. of Oregon in Eugene. ...**Paul Denison** is director of admissions at the Cate School. ...**Mark** and **Jeanne Hammond Larsen** are involved in the fishing industry in Anchorage, Alaska. Their daughter, Molly Ellen, was born on March 10, 1991. ...**Carrie Bowman** is in Seattle, working on her graduate degree in philosophy. She fills up her spare time leading outdoor adventure trips. ...**Sue Bayler** was married to David Kotila on April 21, 1990. **Vicki Seiden Gonin** was one of Sue's attendants. Also at the wedding was **Renee Shattuck Haynes** with her year-old daughter, Lauren. Renee is an interior designer with Media Five Limited in Honolulu. Sue is working in Apple Computer's corporate support export department. ...Now living in Burlington, Vt., **Marcy Murray** has been promoted to the position of marketing officer at Chittenden Bank. After Midd, Marcy attended Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management. Prior to working for Chittenden, she worked in the marketing departments of IDX Corp., Fanny Allen Hospital and Tambrands. ...In Portland, Maine, **Beth Lovejoy** is a staff attorney with the Maine Audubon Society. Beth previously represented the clean water coalition for the law firm of Friedman and Babcock, worked with STOP in challenging a proposed coal-fired plant and assisted Maine POWER in opposing the expansion of a solid waste dump. ...**Mark Hughes**, a New York City talent and model scout, runs the Miss Manhattan contest. Mark's interest in pageants had its start when, as a Middlebury student, he volunteered for the Miss Vermont contests for three years. ...**Dana Mitiguy** is working for the Boston Company. He recently married Janice Foster, who works for a public relations company in Boston. ...**Lisa Cohen Epstein** has been awarded a doctoral dissertation fellowship by the National Foundation for Jewish Culture. The fellowship will help her complete her doctoral dissertation in Jewish studies at Yale University. In addition to Middlebury and Yale, she has also attended Hebrew University in Jerusalem and the Pushkin Language Institute of Moscow. ...**David Bockius**, an Oregon farmer, recently returned from six months of traveling in New Zealand. During this trip he not only saw the world, but met and married his wife. ...**Lori McChesney** married Don Sandri on September 14, 1990. They now live in Hayward, Calif. Since receiving a master's degree in social work in May 1989, Lori has been working as a child welfare worker for the government. Lori also reports that **Kit Lombardi Minsky** got married in May 1990. Lori, **Julie Greer** and **Betsy Sprague Shields** attended the festivities. According to Lori, **Tracey Feick** is back from Taiwan, living with her husband in Pittsburgh and working for a translating company. ...**Tucker Jones** married Michael A. Coombe on May 26, 1990. They live in Cincinnati, Ohio, where Tucker works for Time-Life Books as a freelance researcher and writer. ...**Anne Sudkamp** married Timothy Walker on June 17, 1990. She received her M.A. in Russian from Middlebury in August 1990. Married in a Quaker meeting, she and Tim now live in a Quaker community in Fairbanks, Alaska. They are building a cabin in the hills which will have electricity, but no running water. Mindy is

working towards her high school teacher certification; Tim works for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a biologist-technician. For the benefit of the single women of our class, Mindy reports that "Alaska in general and Fairbanks in particular are just *crawling* with available men." She added, however, that "the goods may be odd, but the odds are good." ...**Frank** and Susan Meir '82 **Burke** are starting their own radio stations in Bath, Maine. Keep your ears open for WKRH and WJTO in Bath. ...**Rick Glaser** is an assistant district attorney in Brooklyn, N.Y. ...**Jennifer Mooney** is a family nurse practitioner in Brighton, Colo. ...**John Cummins** is a reporter for the *Virgin Island Daily News* in Saint Thomas, V.I. ...**Harriette Mauran** is a development officer at the New England Deaconess Hospital. ...**John Lewandoski** is a staff engineer with Interferometrics Inc. in Vienna, Va. ...**Matt Weeden** is a CIA analyst in Washington, D.C. ...**Amanda Gerwig** is doing freelance photographs and painting in Spain. ...**Rick Abrahamson** is doing a residency in ophthalmology at Cook County Hospital in Chicago. ...**Sue Parsons** has moved to Boston and is working as an attorney with the law firm of Nutter, McClennen & Fish. ...**Karey Dubiel Dye** is a trust and estate lawyer with a Texas law firm. ...**Pegine Grayson** is a lawyer with the Child Care Law Project in New York.

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We all hope for a safe and early return for **Clay Ernst**, a Navy aviator stationed on the *U.S.S. Theodore Roosevelt*, which played an active role in the Persian Gulf war. ...Congratulations to Ann and **Tom Steinle** on the birth of their first child, daughter Sarah, who was born on January 30, 1991. Sarah is the first grandchild of Lynn and Peter '62 Steinle, and the first niece for Sue '87 and Pete '92. ...**Nancy Donnell** is living in Zurich, Switzerland. ...**Heather Lank** lives in Ottawa and works as program auditor for the Correctional Services Canada. ...**John Wolfe** reports that he is traveling in Asia. ...**Christine Nef** works as a research analyst for Elway Research in Seattle. ...**Carolyn Trimmer, Brad Frazee** and **David Thorne** all live in San Francisco. Brad is an internal medicine resident at the University of California/San Francisco. ... **Carol Norem** lives in nearby Oakland. ...**Adam Baker** is attending business school in Vancouver, Wash. **Chris Chandler Baker** is a therapist with Columbia River Mental Health Services. Their new address is 12901 N.E. 85th St., Vancouver, WA 98682. ...Bob '84 and **Terri Jo Webster Woellner** live in Denver, where Terri is a French professor at the Unversity of Denver and Bob works as a laboratory director at Esstek, Inc. ...**Wendy Clough Lipton** lives in Boulder. ...In Utah, **Kristen Gould** is the director of special events and promotions for the Park City Chamber Bureau. ...**Lucia Delaney** works as an account supervisor in Minneapolis. ...**Julie Morrison** is a project manager for Waste Management, Inc., in Oak Brook, Ill. ...**Vicki Lamphere Burchard** lives in Wilmette, Ill. ...**Janet Power** is an outreach coordinator for the Chicago Recycling Coalition. ...**Douglas Benjamin** lives in St. Charles, Ill. ...**Marc Stanley** lives in Cincinnati. ...**Linda LeRoy** lives in Marathon, Fla. ...**Henry LaBalme** is in D.C., and **Jon Joseph** is in nearby Chevy Chase, Md. ...In the City of Brotherly Love, **Robert Cain** is pursuing his MBA at Wharton and **David Roberts** teaches at the Chestnut Hill Academy. ...In New York, **Gene Cleaves** is a bonds trader for National Westminster Bank, **Alex Prud'homme** is a self-employed free lance writer, **Basil Duncan** is an associate at Manufacturer's Hanover Trust, **Kathleen Marryat** is a manager for American Express Gold Card marketing, **Mark Friedman** is an attorney and **Terry Jones** is an internal auditor for Oesterreichische Landerbank. ...**Fred Whelan** is on Long Island working as an assistant district attorney for the Nassau County Attorney's Office. ...Our Boston inhabitants include **Tobey Daley** and his wife Allison, who live in Andover, **Michaela Mentzer**, a preschool teacher in Woburn, and **Mary Dolbear**, who now teaches Spanish and French at the Rivers School in Weston. **Mike Noonan** is the men's soccer and lacrosse coach at Wheaton College in Norton and **Jenny Meigs** is head athletic trainer at the Buckingham Brown and Nichols School in Cambridge. ...That's all for now. We hope you enjoy your summer.

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Scott Joslin is a partner in the East Harbor Development Group of Portland, Maine, which, among other things, is starting a construction consulting firm. ...**Lisa Emily Olsson** received her M.B.A. from Duke University's Fuqua School last year. She now lives in Indianapolis and works for Eli Lilly and Co. in international finance. ...**Mark McInerney** married Hilary Colgate '88 on November 17, 1990, at St. James' Episcopal Church in New York. Hilary teaches at the Buckley School in New York. ...U.S. Navy Lieutenant **David St. George** was aboard the *U.S.S. Tarawa* in the Persian Gulf during the Gulf War. He was in charge of coordinating the movements of amphibious assault ships. ...**Alice Vail** is attending the Indiana Univ. School of Music, studying singing. She has been featured as a soprano with the St. Louis Opera and, in January, she performed in a Mozart presentation at the Brattleboro Opera Theatre. After Midd, she attended Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N.J.

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Class Secretaries: *Suzanne Duncan Simmonds, 778 Mill Hill Road, Southport, CT 06490; John B. Briggs, P.O. Box 47, Bedford, NH 03102; and James H. Bromley, Jr., 103 Hills Point Road, Westport, CT 06880.*

Two reports came in from classmates in the Persian Gulf area. **Torsten Garber** wrote us after receiving an issue of the magazine from his wife. He was flying EA-6B jets off the *U.S.S. John F. Kennedy* last February and reported that he was doing well, despite the high tension of flying into enemy fire. Torsten managed to fit in some "sightseeing" while on his tour. He saw the pyramids in Egypt and went to Alexandria and Cairo, where he saw the treasures of King Tut exhibit. He also went to Turkey and passed through the Suez Canal. Torsten said mail received from classmates was tremendous and a big boost to his spirits. Fellow Navy aviator **Dave Carpenter** also wrote to thank Midd classmates for letters they sent to him in the Gulf. We're all grateful for their safe return home. ...Somewhat closer to home, **Bruce Genereaux** (1309 S. Gaylord St., Denver, CO 80210) wrote on behalf of the Colorado contingent. Our thanks to Bruce for covering the news out west! Bruce is still with Cyprus Minerals Company as a financial analyst. He has been skiing as much as ever and still climbing. He and **Brad Schildt** climbed the Diamond on Longs Peak last year and hope to climb the Nose of El Capitan in Yosemite Valley this summer with **John Hill**. Living in

The official Midd photo taken at the wedding celebration of Marnie Cunningham '88 and Jim Terhune '86 of September 1, 1990, brought together, from left, kneeling, Pam Frederick '88, Tony Mally '86, the newlyweds, Wendy McDonnell '88, Sandra Peterson '88, Sarah Roman '88, Bea Wallenburg '89 and John Cunningham '92; second row, Michelle Dube '88, Pete Barto '86, Nancy Caulfield '88, Deb Gow '90, Carol Van Duyn Terhune '57, Flip Terhune '56, Teresa Arent '88, Shannon Murphy Brown '88, Katie Ray '89, Anya Puri '88, Cindy Horn '88, Will Jackson '51, Marty Belden Jackson '52, Sue Linn Lucey '57 and Tom Kovach '92; third row, Wistar Morris '85, Mike Rawding '86, Pamela Freeman '88, Bill Berndt '86, Tim Rahr '85, Jeff Storey '88, Kim Maynard '88, Erik Nilsson '88, Todd Himstead '88, Craig Smith '88, John Bassi '88, Steve Feldman '88, Jason Robart '87, Stefanie Lempp '88, Ann Hanson (dean of students at Middlebury), Troy Haynie '89, Tom Dubreuil '90, Steve Kinkead '86 and Pete Lamson '85. Also attending but not pictured: Hugh Marlow '57, Julie Power '91, Karen Lane '89 and Marjorie Robbins '56.

Following the marriage of Michele White '87 and Nathan Miller '86 at Mead Chapel on October 20, 1990, the wedding party celebrated at a reception at the Cortina Inn in Killington. From left, Carolyn Porter '87, Stephanie Harants, Sandy Hurd '87, the newlyweds, Bradley Clark, John Calabro Jr. and Harold Smith.

Lake Champlain formed the perfect backdrop for the wedding celebration of Heather Pierce '86 and Chris Kingston on September 29, 1990. With them at the Basin Harbor Club are (from left) Bob Crews '84, Basie Wightman '77, Richard Berry '32, Eleanor Benjamin Berry '32, the newlyweds, Elizabeth Needham '86, Thayer Collins '86, Lili Bieler '87 and Lans Teal '86.

The wedding party for the marriage of Elaine Chanute '87 and Paul Burg on July 28, 1990, included, from left, Kristi Garrett '88, Sarah Albano '87, the bride, Mary Chanute and Sany Hurd '87.

Rob Tucker '87 and Caroline Brokaw were married on September 8, 1990, in New Canaan, Conn., bringing together John Russell '87, Misa Burnett '87, Pieter Schiller '60, Katie Schiller '89, the newlyweds, David Nislick '87 (best man), Sue Van Dyke Ostrow '88 and Frank Ostrow '87.

Boulder (90 Granite Road, 80302), Brad is working in the merchant services department of the Bank of Boulder. John is working for a subsidiary of International Nickel Co., while training and skiing as much as possible. ...Connie and **Rob Masinter** (570 Ithaca, Boulder 80303) are settling in Boulder after earning their master's degrees at Stanford. Rob is working in the business development department of Atlas Corp. Word is they have plenty of space for visitors and a puppy to play with. ...**Sean Jenkinson** is living in Boulder and working as a paralegal in Denver. ...**Pat Callahan** is living in Aspen and winning all of the local ski-bum races. ...Tip Blish '88 and Heather Nelson '88 were seen skiing with **Ed Levine** in Taos where they had a 100-in. base by New Year's. ...**Jill Warren** is with the same law firm in Denver, Greengard Senter Goldfarb & Rice, but has recently taken on additional responsibility for their entire environmental law department. ...**Tom Gavigan** is working towards his master's in geochemistry in Salt Lake and was seen skiing in Moab last winter. ...**Bill Leeson** and Heather Karlson '87 had a great holiday party. Bill is applying to medical schools and Heather is working for various Denver hospitals and community organizations with troubled youths. ...**Stuart Johnstone** has published a book, titled *Mountain Biking Near Boston: A Guide to the Best 25 Places to Ride*. Finding a lack of such information available to the public, he compiled the listing from extensive personal research and put it into book form, including directions to the trails from Boston, a rating of the trails and locations of nearby repair shops. He hopes to write more books on outdoor activities in the future. ...**Laurie Harper** is living the exciting life of the "senior" travel director for Maritz Travel Company. Last year, she was in 16 different countries, 16 different islands and three continents and has amazing stories to report. Some of the highlights were bunjy jumping off a 230-foot bridge in Queenstown, New Zealand; a helicopter ride over a volcano; and an emergency landing in Zurich after her plane lost part of the right wing! She promises everyone is welcome to visit her in St. Louis (329 Belt #1A, St. Louis, MO 63112) if you can find her at home. ...**Suzanne Duncan Simmonds** found **Ann McCollum** waiting tables in Bethesda, Md., at Rio Grande recently. Ann just finished working in education in Texas and is now in the midst of applying to graduate schools, hopefully in the Boston or Colorado area, to get a master's in counseling. Suzanne has started a Connecticut branch of her brother's design firm, Muskoka Design Group, and is doing freelance graphic work for various law firms and companies in the Fairfield County area. ...In April 1990, **Luke Loveys** '86 married Alice Andrews, a fellow intern at the Univ. of Rochester. Luke is working in orthopaedics, Ali in pediatrics. Their address is 146 Lattimore Road, Rochester, NY 14620. ...**Elizabeth Hill** and **Dave MacGowan** were married August 4, 1990, and are living at RR 2, Box 800, Waterbury, VT 05676. ...**Pam Grady** and Willy MacMullen (Yale '82) were married on August 11, 1990. Pam and Willy met at Bread Loaf-Oxford in the summer of 1987. They now live in Watertown, Conn., where Willy is a dean and English teacher at the Taft School. Pam is still teaching English at a public high school in Wallingford. **Sue Whitty**, **Kate Wallace Perrotta** and **Monica Carroll McCabe** were bridesmaids. Also there to join in the celebration were **Lisa Cheney Sullivan** and **Chris Sullivan**. ...We hope the stream of letters and information continues!

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Class Secretaries: *Dorrie Paynter, 418 E. 83rd St., #5D, New York, NY 10028, and John K. Zehner, Canterbury School, New Milford, CT 06776.*

This month's mailbag brought in a few letters from people we had assumed to be Missing in Action. ...**Ed Pelaez** (2034 Diamond St., San Diego, CA 92109) wrote to tell us that, while he misses New England, the left coast is doing him just fine. Ed works for Navy intelligence and would love to hear from people not basking in the sun like he is. ...**Sue Brzezinski** sent news of the October '90 wedding of **Sandy Getzendanner** and Michael Blake. Attending were Sue, **Tracy Harris**, **Danny Cooper** and **"Funky" Phil Simonides**. All except the "funkster" are living and working in the Chicago area. ...Prior to the marriage of **K.K. Desmond** and Mel Stuart on October 27, 1990, in Ocoee, Tenn., an engagement party was held in Cohasset, Mass., on October 7. In attendance at this celebration were **Liza Weekes, Richard Coolidge, John Scharfenberg, Bill Kelso, Muffie Davis, Rick Holzman** and **Claire Barron**. K.K. and her husband work as raft guides. ...**Amy Cleaves** is working at the Santa Barbara, Calif., Athletic Club and playing as much squash as possible on the national level. She demands to hear from **Sue Steinle**, last heard from at Case Western Law school. Amy's address is now 1510 1/2 De La Vina, Santa Barbara, CA 93101. ...**Lynn Holappa** completed her M.S. in botany at NCSU in Raleigh in August 1990, after spending three years exploring "whether abscicic acid (ABA: plant hormone) levels rose after cucumber, tomato and bean plants were exposed to ferulic acid." Her first published work will appear in the fall 1991 *Journal of Chemical Ecology*. She is enrolled in the plant physiology Ph.D. program at Washington State University where she received a McKnight Fellowship and is studying the molecular and genetic regulation of dormancy in wheat seeds. Her new address is 210 Johnson Hall, Box 6420, Agronomy Department, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164-6420. ...**Chris Casey** and **Scott Sloan** are in their first year at Kellogg Business School. ...**John Castle** has become the head lacrosse coach for the Purple Knights of St. Michael's. We hope to report on the results of his team's March matchup against Middlebury. ...**John Ashley** has moved to Seattle. ...**John Rabidou** is a teacher near his hometown of Marlboro, Mass. ...In other John news, **John Russell** is studying at the N.E. School of Optometry and **John Melson** is working for Chemical Bank. John's wife, **Alison Beckwith Melson**, is teaching French at the Kent School in Connecticut. ...There was an unplanned mini-reunion when **Cheri Mather, Dorrie Paynter, Paul Phillips** and **Bob Bua** found themselves skiing down the same slopes at Snow Bird in March. ...**Dan Curtis** was ordained a deacon in June 1990, after graduating from the Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Ill. He and wife Diane have a son, Aaron. ...**Rob Tucker** married Caroline Brokaw on September 8, 1990. Attending the gala were best man **Dave Nislick, John Russell, Misa Burnett** and **Frank Ostrow**. After the wedding, Rob and Caroline spent two wonderful weeks hiking in Switzerland. ...**Theresa McCoy** and Jim Ferrari '86 were married in St. Paul, Minn., on June 24, 1989. ...**Shannon Seaton** married D.J. Boyd in Hancock, Mich., in February 1990. They were working at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island but are now reportedly "traveling." ...**Sarah Albano** graduated from Bread Loaf last August. She writes, "Now that I have my master's degree in English, I am teaching only French this year. Ah well, I just have to plan a trip to Paris for Spring Break." Sarah was an attendant at the July wedding of **Elaine Chanute** to **Paul Berg**, a teacher at Sewickley Academy. Kristi Garrett '88 and **Sandy Hurd** were also in the wedding party. ...**Greg Lupica** and **Amy Beckwith** were married August 4, 1990, in Mead Chapel at Middlebury and held their reception at the Brandon Inn. Now living in Providence, R.I., Greg is in his second year of a Ph.D. program in economics at Brown; Amy is the family guidance coordinator, for children age three or under and their parents, at the Rhode Island School for the Deaf. ...In Boston news, **Jim Connolly** is an auditor at Coopers and Lybrand. ...**Hugh Bishop** is a sales rep for the Aberdeen Group, writers of high tech newsletters. ...**Bill Diadamo** is in his third year at Boston University Law School. ...**Jen Bardsley** is working for a subsidiary of Dunn and Bradstreet, while working on her master's in computer science at Boston College. ...**Joe Ganley** is doing the paralegal thing while waiting to hear from law schools. ...**Paul Bottino** graduated from Suffolk Law last spring and recently passed his bar exam, according to **Chris Hopkins**,

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Amy Beckwith and Greg Lupica, both '87, were surrounded by Middlebury friends at the Brandon Inn where they celebrated following their marriage in Mead Chapel on August 4, 1990. From left, standing, Gina Lupica (Spanish School), Ramiro Prudencio '87, Lisa Dougherty '87, Jean Miller '87, Lisa Ward '90, Phyllis Merikallio '87, Mike Coughlan '87, Cynthia Carter '87, Catherine Crawford '87, the newlyweds, Nick Moore '87, Patricia Clary '87, Nancy Ilgenfritz Horton '87, Andrew Peterson '87, Emily Ferman '87, Barbara Marvin '87, Jennifer Kirkman '87 and Bud Leeds; kneeling, Jonathan Wilson '88, Gustavo Mejia (Spanish School professor), Carmen Alarcon, Joel Brother '87, Kristen Suokko '87, Jack Gaziano '87, Richard Coolidge '87 and Bernard Concon '87.

Gathered in Cleveland to celebrate the September 22, 1990, marriage of Laurie Micco and Paul McCormack, both '88, were, front row, from left, Jake Brown '87, Dave Havens '87, Todd Himstead '88, John Bassi '88 and Craig Smith '88; second row, Ian Williams '88, Liz Zale '90, Holly Beatty '90, the newlyweds, Stefanie Lempp '88, Kristi Garrett '88 and Kiersten Haskell '90; third row, Jon Shipler '88, Ingrid McKenzie '90, John Woolley '87, Bil DiAdamo '87, Steve Feldman '88 and Karin Kurchak '88; back row, Erik Nilsson '88, Tom Urban '88, Jack Gaziano '87 and Nick Von Moltke '88.

who is still working at the Canterbury School. ...**Peter Ahl** and **Ted Mehm** are loan officers for the Bank of Boston. ...**Matt Hale** is working in the State House and **Dave Nislick** is getting his Ph.D. in economics at Harvard. ...**Kim O'Sullivan** is in her fourth year at UVM medical school, having already done rotations in Tortola and Seattle. ...**Anne Corry** is working for Planned Parenthood for the solicitation of corporate giving. ...**Heidi Anderson** is back from Nepal and paralegaling at Skadden Arps. ...**Andrew Peterson** just moved to New York and is working on his MFA at NYU. For the last two years he was an assistant director of the Minnesota Film Board and also acted in Minneapolis with the Theatre De La Jeune Lune. ...**Stu Dwyer** is working for the U.S. Consulate in Quebec City. ...**Bob Barsanti** is still teaching high school English in Nantucket. ...After her December graduation with a master's in architecture from Syracuse Univ., **Margaret Clark** plans to look for a job in the Minneapolis area. ...Well, that's all for now folks. As Kasey Kasem would say, keep those cards and letters coming and we hope to hear from you soon.

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Class Secretaries: *Pam Lawson Quinn, P.O. Box 414, Middlebury, VT 05753, and Jim Calise, 1494 Druid Valley Drive NE, Atlanta, GA 30329.*

Hello! We have heard some comments that certain parts of the column are "old news." Please help to fix that! Drop us a line! ...Our thanks to **Trey Young**, who brought us up to date on several people. Trey is working as a product specialist in the government bond department for Putnam. ...**Billy Meagher** is working in the audit department for Peat Marwick. ...**Colin Ives** is working for S.D. Warren. ...**Scott McAdam** is working for Bank of New England. ...**Chad McClennan** is working as an analyst for Boston Security Counselors, a subsidiary of Advest. ...**Ned Parsons** is doing very well as a freelance writer. ...**Jeff Granatino** is in Middlebury doing his student teaching in junior high social studies. ...**Mike Dubzinsky** is a coach and an assistant in the admissions office at Cushing Academy. ...**Chris Storkerson** is the owner and operator of Club Bolongo Bay in Jacksonville, Fla. ...We also thank **Diana Stuart** for sending information on classmates. She and **Chris Sinton** are both in graduate school at Oregon State Univ. in Corvallis. Diana is getting her master's in resource geography. Chris is studying marine geology. ...**Marion Brune** lives in Edinburgh, Scotland, where she is an assistant to an architect. ...Living in Palo Alto, Calif., **Karen Hammerness** works for St. Mary's College, recruiting "non-traditional" students. ...Congratulations to **Karen Benfield** for getting her first front-page article in the *Wall Street Journal*! (See the January 3 issue.) ...**Chris Summersgill** and **Hardin Pantle** spent the winter in Winter Park, Colo., working for a ski school. ...**Chaz Derecskey** is a graduate student in math at Tulane. ...**Liz Nightingale** and **Vinnie Denniston** are in their second year of law school at George Washington University in D.C. ...**Virginia White** has moved to La Jolla, Calif. She works for the Sandra Dijkstra Literary Agency, the agency representing Amy Tan (author of *The Joy Luck Club*) and many others. ...**Dina Wolkoff** is a research assistant at Toby Levine Communications, Inc., in Bethesda, Md. Her company does educational supplements for documentaries, teacher guides, and educational publications. ...**Dave Van Luven** is an ecologist in Cape Cod, Mass. He is the special projects coordinator of the Association for the Preservation of Cape Cod. Congratulations to Dave for his work in connection with two publications: *Cape Cod Critical Habitats Atlas* and *More Than Sandy Beaches: A Guide to the Rare and Threatened Habitats of Cape Cod.* His work has also been featured in the *Cape Cod Times* (November 19, 1990) and the *Boston Globe* (January 20, 1991). ...**Mark Held** is a staff associate at Techlaw in Lakewood, Colo. ...**Garett Heysel** is at Northwestern University getting a Ph.D. in French. ...**Shawn Miele** is working for Banker's Trust in Hong Kong. ...**Jason Bernstein** is working toward an MBA at the University of Chicago. ...**Dmitry Paramonov** is a student at Northwestern University. ...**Craig Smith** is a student of veterinary medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. ...**Kathleen Bowen** is an ESL teacher at the Manchester (Vt.) elementary school. ...**John Chaplin** works for Booz Allen & Hamilton as a consultant in Bethesda, Md. ...**John Humphrey** is an analyst in acquisitions for Metropolitan Asset Group Ltd. in New York City. ...**Allison Kierstead** is a clinical support associate for Parexel International in Cambridge, Mass. ...**Pam Lawson Quinn** is student teaching second grade at Mary Hogan School in Middlebury. She traveled with the Middlebury lacrosse team on a 10-day trip to England in early February. They ran into a number of Middlebury alumni, including **Julia Foote** at Oxford University. ...**Ian Williams** is an account executive at DMB&B Advertising in New York City. ...**Sheila D'Arcy** is a senior tour consultant at EF Institute for Cultural Exchange in Cambridge, Mass. ...**John Soderberg** is an English teacher at St. George's School in Newport, R.I. ...**Andrew Waine** is a marketing representative for National Securities Distributor in Greenwich, Conn. ...**Johnny Walker** is an assistant account executive at Saatchi & Saatchi in New York City. ...**Denver Edwards** works for Davis Polk Wardwell in New York City. ...**Elizabeth Edwards** is an aide documentalist for the *International Herald Tribune* in France. ...**Katie Longstreth** is a graduate student in dance at Arizona State Univ. ...**Jessica Perera** is a guide for the American Exhibit in Moscow. ...**Chris Wood** opened his own business called "How to Manage Your Free Time, Inc." It is located in Upper Montclair, N.J. ...**Susan Wysoki** and Jonathan Joseph '84, who were married in Philadelphia on May 27, 1990, are living in Washington, D.C. Susan is an account executive in the corporate/financial relations group of Hill and Knowlton. Jonathan is an attorney with Akin, Gump, Strauss, Haver and Feld. ...**Beth Zogby** is a graduate intern at Syracuse Univ. in the Center for Instructional Development. ...**Jeff Benson** has finished his first year at Duke Law School. In his spare time, he practices with his band, *Velvet Elvis*. He was clerking in Burlington, Vt., for the summer. ...Congrats to **Laurie Micco** and **Paul McCormack**, who were married on September 22, 1990, outside of Cleveland. The McCormacks have bought a house on Long Island. Laurie has entered the NYU Business School and Paul is an investment analyst for TM Capital Corp. ...**Tucker Hanson** is at the Humphrey Institute at the Univ. of Minnesota, working toward a public policy master's degree. ...**Lori Greenberg** graduated from the Univ. of Pennsylvania Law School in May and received a federal clerkship up in Burlington, Vt. ...**Christine Lussier** is enjoying her job at Nouvelle Frontieres in New York City. ...Enjoy your summer! And thanks again to those of you who sent information. Hope to hear from you soon!

Colorado ski bum Kevin Bittenbender '90 in uniform at Copper Mountain in Summit County.

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Class Secretaries: *Kristen Canfield, 351 Fairview Ave. Fairfield, CT 06430, and Timothy O'Shea, 73 Second St., Garden City, NY 11530.*

In the third summer of our post-Middlebury experience, our classmates continue to enter new fields and explore new places. ...**Mary Ann Kruger** continues to study music at the Indiana Univ. School of Music. Mary has performed as a leading soprano for both the St. Louis Opera Company and the Brattleboro Opera Theater. ...**Jim Nash** is an assistant editor for *Design Spirit*, a new environmentally-conscious magazine based in New York. ...**Meg Beeman** continues her work in advertising in New York. She recently finished work on the Combos snack food account. ...**Doro Herrey** is the assistant to the editor-in-chief at Houghton Mifflin Publishing House. ...**Andrew Devore** is a legislative aide for Senator Brock Adams in the nation's capital. ...**Mike Subak, Mark Lahive** and **Andrew Barton** are toiling away in D.C. as well, all three intimately involved with decision-making at the highest levels. ...Teachers from '89 include **Soraya Diaz** (at the Starksboro, Vt., elementary school), **Sarah Hower** (at the Unity School in Eugene, Oregon), **Elizabeth Wilson** (second grade at Springside School in Philadelphia), **Joe Elias** (math and coaching at the Eaglebrook School in Deerfield, Mass.), **Amanda Unger** (at the Berkshire School in Massachusetts) and **Elizabeth Stern** (working with special education at the Oakham Center School in Oakham, Mass.). ...**Maura Phelan** is regional manager for Market Collection, a clothing firm in Marblehead, Mass. ...**Madeleine Reed** continues her work in the creative writing program at Hollins College. ...Speaking of creative writing, **Erik Vigsnes** is working on a novel tentatively titled *The Night of the Squirrels*. Look for it to hit the book shelves some time next April. ...**Shonda Roberts** lives and works in Houston as the assistant manager for the Ritz Carlton Hotel. ..."C2" **Charlie Butt** works for Dun and Bradstreet in Hartford, Conn. ...**Heather Bohr** is in the sales and marketing department of Ideal Dental Health Plan in southern California. ...**Tom DiNanno** has left his financial manager job in Boston to begin work as an assistant promotional director for Geffen Records in Los Angeles. He is doing the promotional work for the *Psychotic Menagerie* Tour, featuring three well-known West Coast bands—Guns 'N' Roses, Anthrax and Slayer. Tom says that he considers this new job much more challenging, but in different ways. "I don't sleep much," he added. Make sure to catch this tour when it comes to town, as Tom promises front row seats to all shows for all Midd '89ers. ...Please remember that we would love to hear from as many of you as we can. Let us know what you're up to.

Middlebury was well represented at Vail during the 1991 USSA Masters Alpine Championships. Pictured are Bruce Genereaux '86, Bill McCollom '68, Steve Genereaux '83, Jack Wallace '82 and Dave Lamb '83, all of whom finished in the top five in one or more events.

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Class Secretaries: *Mary Stechschulte, 409 Third St., #3, Brooklyn, NY 11215, and Paul E. Needham, 3 Monument Circle, Hingham, MA 02043.*

Summer 1991 is here, bringing fun and sun for '90ers. Write us! ...**Angela Howland** married Gary Rhodes on August 25, 1990. '90ers attending their wedding included **Jeff Bograd, Karen Thayer, Michael Campbell, Louisa Sargent** and **Linda Sileo**. They are living in Newport, Vt., where Angela is a residential counselor for the mentally retarded at Northeast Kingdom Mental Health Services. ...**Caitlin McCarthy** is working at the Boulevard Bookstore in Albany. ...**David Muhlbaum** is a reporter at the *East Hampton Star*. ...In NYC, **Greg Frezados, Jim Stover** and **Phil Mahoney** are paralegals at Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper and Scinto. ...**Mark Lieberfreund** is at St. John's Law School in Queens. ...**Annette Madden** is working at the Council for International Educational Exchange in their Leningrad Program. ...**Lisa Bozarth** is working at Levine, Huntley, Schmidt and Bearer. ...**Sarah Menzel** is working at Edwards and Shepard. ...**Maggie Wilkinson** is teaching Latin at Riverdale. ...**Rachel Meyer** works at Wunderman Worldwide. ...**Seth Denbo** is in publishing at Routledge, Chapman and Hall. ...**Margie Butler** is doing account management work in advertising at Chiat/Day/Mojo. ...**Michelle Martin** is at the Aerospace Engineering Company. ...**Ad Hardin** has an internship at *The Nation*. ...**Jen Weiss** is working at a public relations firm, Barkin, Paulsen, Meissner and Kimball, in Milwaukee. ...**Meg Walsh**, who manages a clothing company called "Chilly Bear," invites everyone to stop in and shop when they're in Greenwich, Conn. ...**Amy Thrall** is a teaching fellow at the Kingswood-Oxford School in West Hartford, Conn. ...**Mary Beth Sutter** moved to Nashville, Tenn., where she is part of the CIGNA staff launching a new branch. ...**Heather Jaynes** has been teaching French at Miss Hall's School in Pittsfield, Mass. ...**Rob Gray** is the administrative aide to the Secretary of Health and Human Services at the statehouse in Boston. ...In D.C., **Karen Tiedemann** is an editorial assistant at Battelle, a research and development corporation. ...**Sean Murphy** is a junior associate for lobbyist Liz Robbins. ...**Dorie McCullough** left San Francisco and is now doing research for *The Smithsonian*. ...**Ingrid McKenzie** is a staff assistant at the U.S. Chamber

The marriage of Lyssandra Barbieri and Jason Williams, both '90, took place in a Romanesque basilica dating from the 11th century in Pisa, Italy, on December 29, 1990. Middlebury friends celebrating with the newlyweds, who are on the left, were Emily Hall '89, Charlie Gaffney '89, Jessica Nadelman '90, Annie Janeway '90, Loring Robbins '89, Sarah Martel '90, Ricardo Caracciolo '89, Marco Scuriatti '90 and Elisa Barucchieri '89. Not in photo: Katherine Ray '90, Charlie Davis '89 and Erik Borg '67 (the wedding photographer).

Newport, Vt., was the scene of a celebration on August 25, 1990, when Angela Howland '90 married Gary Rhodes. From left, Jeffrey Bograd '90, Karen Thayer '90, Jeanette Olson Gould '39, Michael Campbell '90, the newlyweds, Linda Seleo '90 and Louisa Sargent '90.

Surrounding newlyweds Dan O'Brien ('88 Yale) and Beth Soanes '90 following their wedding on June 16, 1990, were Middlebury well-wishers, front row, from left, all '90 unless otherwise indicated, Katy Murphy, Rob Gray, Nonie Dorschel, Nick Budnick '91, Jennifer VanNoy and Roxanne Trombly; back row, Ingrid McKenzie, Erik Nilsson '88, Ed Roche, Jay Barry, Alicia Johnston, Michael Lane, Amy Young '89, Pat Dorton, Nadya Klinetob and Art McAleer.

of Commerce in its Central and Eastern Europe international division. ...**Dave Campbell** is in retail at Lord & Taylor. ...**Geoff Coffey** went west to San Francisco, where he was going to meet up with **Al Chang**. Rumor has it that there are more Midd '90ers in the San Fran area. ...**Pam Rosser** lives in Philadelphia, where she is an advertising account coordinator for Ted Thomas Associates, Inc. ...**Wall Pringle** is doing graduate work in chemistry at UCLA. ...**Eric Paquette** is at RPI doing graduate work in math. ...**Beckett Stokes** is working at St. Mary's Academy in Denver, where she was coaching soccer in the spring. She's enjoying teaching and glad to be back in Colorado. ...**Peter Kellner** has been living, working and skiing in Telluride. ...**Robin Madsen, Nina Tool** and **Kevin Bittenbender** were living together and skiing in Breckenridge. ...**Liz Hinckley** and **Tom Crowell** are in Jackson Hole, Wyo. ...**Joan Admirand** is working with children in Sun Valley. ...**Diane Peterson, Elizabeth Toder, Rachel Wigglesworth** and **Tim Battista** have all worked at Keewaydin Environmental Education Center in Vermont. ...**Martha Benz** headed to Montana to ski in Glacier National Park. ...**Karla Rice** is on the air at KXTR, Kansas City's classical radio station. Listeners have been calling in and complimenting her on her voice. ...**Will Bain** is teaching world and American lit. at Kincaid School in Houston, Texas. He spends his leisure time rustling cattle and riding horses. ...**Claudio Medeiros** won an Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship at a theater festival at UNH. ...**Kim Bradley** was last heard from in Hamburg, Germany, where she has been teaching English at the American School for International Business English. ...**Amy Leith** is getting her master's in German in Mainz. ...**Lovisa Johnsson** has been au-pairing in the Munich area. ...Studying at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts, **Greg Naughton** was planning to return to the U.S. in June. ...**Tom Louderback** and **John Lewis** are "currently in transglobal mode," according to John. "We saw Jay Leonard '89 and **Lowrey Sullivan** on the trail in New Zealand. **Zach Egan** stumbled into us at a pub in Hong Kong, of all places. Random." John was writing in February from Thailand, where they were enjoying the "famous Fletcher House hospitality" of **Marco Sucharitkul**, who is working for the Thai government. ...**Kirsten Keppel** has been working at the *International Herald Tribune* in Paris, while studying at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques. ...That's the news. Thanks to everyone who has been keeping us informed. Enjoy your summer—and please write!

OBITUARIES

1913

EVA A. HOLT, 99, of Brattleboro, Vt., on March 23, 1991. A native of West Rutland, Vt., and a graduate of Rutland High School, she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and graduated with Phi Beta Kappa honors. She pursued a career in teaching and library work, in Rutland and in Lebanon, N.H. She was the sister of Harris Holt '05 and Ross Holt '09.

1918

DOROTHY BROWN HEATH, 93, of Pompano Beach, Fla., on March 25, 1991. A native of Newark, N.J. and a graduate of Barringer High School there, she was the daughter of Edgar R. Brown '93 and Helen Miner Brown. At Middlebury she joined Alpha Chi sorority, which later became Kappa Kappa Gamma. During her college years she was a class officer, served on the business staff of *The Campus*, and was a member of the Musical Association. After graduation she taught high school English, Latin and math in St. Johnsbury, Vt., Fair Haven, Vt., and Flemington, N.J. She was married in 1921 to Winford Eddy Heath '21. They were the first alumni couple married in Mead Chapel. The Heaths lived in Somerville, N.J., from 1928 to 1975. During that time, Mrs. Heath was active in many civic organizations. She served on the Bridgewater Township Board of Education in the 1940's. She was a member of the Somerville Civic League, the History Club and the Monday Evening Club. She was also a 50-year member and former regent of the Gen. Frelinghuysen Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was a longtime member and past president of the Somerville chapter of the AAUW. She was also a past president of the Green Knoll PTA in Bridgewater. Mrs. Heath, whose husband died in 1989, is survived by a son, Richard Heath; two daughters, Ann Heath Fay '54 and Betsy Heath Gleason '58; 12 grandchildren, including Karen E. Heath '83; and nine great-grandchildren.

1918

RUTH A. HESSELGRAVE, 93, of Middlebury, Vt., on January 20, 1991. She was born in Sidney, N.Y., the daughter of Susie (Wilder) and Charles Hesselgrave, both '93, and prepared for college at Chatham (N.J.) and South Orange (N.J.) high schools. At Middlebury she was active in the YWCA, was a reporter for *The Campus*, and belonged to the Apollo Club and the Civics Club. She was a member of Alpha Chi sorority (later Kappa Kappa Gamma). After graduation she pursued a career in teaching English, which included more than 30 years at Warren G. Harding High School in Bridgeport, Conn. Following her retirement to Middlebury in 1958, she served as a part-time librarian at the College for 13 years, and as a guidance counselor at Middlebury Union High School for two years. The holder of master's degrees from Middlebury and Yale, she dedicated her life to many professional and community service activities. She was elected a delegate to seven national conventions of the National Education Association, and served as president of several Connecticut teachers' associations, as well as the Middlebury Retired Teachers Association. She was also a past president of Connecticut and Vermont chapters of the AAUW. For many years she was director of the Park Street Congregational Sunday School in Bridgeport, and was a deaconess of the Middlebury Congregational Church. She had served as president of the Middlebury Garden Club, Women's Club, and the Counseling Service of Addison County, and was a founder of the Friends of the Ilsley Library. The 1973 recipient of Middlebury's Alumni Plaque, she had served the Class of 1918 as secretary from her graduation until her death. She was one of the first recipients of Middlebury's Outstanding Class Secretary award. The author of several magazine articles and essays, she was an avid genealogist, and was co-author of a genealogy, "The Hesselgrave Families in America." She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Society of Mayflower Descendants.

1927

MABEL DAWSON, 88, of Wellesley, Mass., on March 3, 1991. A native of Needham and a graduate of its high school, she spent two years at Middlebury and earned her bachelor's degree in religious education at Boston University. This led to her career in religious education, at churches in Pittsburgh, Pa., New Rochelle, N.Y., and Bay City, Mich. She retired in 1969 after 24 years as director of Christian education with the Maryland Council of Churches. The holder of a master's degree from Hartford Seminary, she served on the first committee for religious television for children and assisted in the production of programs for children in Wilmington, Del. She pioneered in interracial camps and conferences for youth, religious education for retarded children and training camps for church camp leaders. She was also one of the first Senior Girl Scout leaders in the country. She is survived by two nephews and two nieces.

1927

ELINOR SMITH SLATTERY, 85, of Mystic, Conn., on March 13, 1991. She was born in Hartford, Conn., and graduated from West Hartford High School. At Middlebury she majored in history and was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. She sang in the Glee Club, was a member of the French Club and served as advertising manager of the *Saxonian*. After graduation she taught high school English in Windsor, Conn., before her 1929 marriage to Raymond T. Slattery. She worked for the Hartford National Bank and Trust, now Connecticut National Bank, in Windsor from 1949 until retiring in 1971. She was a member of First Church in Windsor, Congregational. Predeceased by her husband, she is survived by her brother, Norman C. Smith '39, and a nephew.

1928

WALTER O. GOLLNICK, 85, of Culver, Ind., on December 14, 1990. Born in Milwaukee, Wis., he prepared for Middlebury at South Division High School there. His brothers, Albert '22 and Ervin '25, preceded him at Middlebury. A member of Alpha Sigma Phi, "Wally" is remembered for his football prowess, having been the quarterback on the Panther varsity team for three years. He also played baseball, basketball and varsity golf, and competed in track for his fraternity. He was an excellent student, with mathematics his favorite field. He did graduate work at Columbia, Harvard, Notre Dame, Purdue and Marquette. He began his teaching and coaching career in Brandon, Vt., and taught in several prep schools before embarking on a 23-year career as master math teacher and coach at Culver Military Academy. He was a lieutenant in the U.S. Naval Reserve during World War II. He was married in 1941 to Ruth Starkey. They raised three children: Judy Council, Walter Jr., and Charles, who predeceased his father. In noting Wally's death, a Culver Academy publication stated that he would "always be remembered for his guidance, leadership and personality." We remember that personality well, and extend our sympathy to Ruth and his family.

—William K. Donald '28

1928

JOHN P. MARCH, 87, of Waterbury, Conn., on January 27, 1991. John was born in Lithuania, and moved with his family to the United States when he was seven. He spent his first years here in Bethlehem, Conn., and graduated from Watertown (Conn.) High School, where he was active in sports. At Middlebury

he played four years on the baseball team and was class handball champion. John was a highly respected member of our class even though he was quiet, reserved and serious as a student. John loved Middlebury and rarely missed Homecoming and reunions. After graduation he returned to Connecticut and began a lifelong career with Waterbury's Scovill Manufacturing Co., where he spent more than 40 years and became production manager of one of its departments. In retirement, one of his chief interests was golf, in which he excelled until, for health reasons, he was forced to forego the game. The last month before his death was spent in a nursing home. John leaves his wife, Helen; a daughter, Jeanne Shugrue; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. John will be missed by his classmates, who extend to his family their sincere sympathy in their hour of sorrow.

— N.J. Blanchette '28

1929

MABEL SEVERANCE ELLSWORTH, 85, on March 28, 1991, at the Helen Porter Nursing Home in Middlebury. Mabel was born in East Middlebury and graduated from Middlebury High School. She will be remembered by her 1929 classmates as a spirited and attractive young woman and an excellent student, active in several language clubs and in dramatics. She went directly into high school teaching following graduation, first in Middletown Springs, Vt., then in a number of other schools, including Vermont Junior College in Montpelier, and in Manchester, Conn. She was married in 1932 to Allison Ellsworth '29, and together they owned and operated the Queens Harbor Marina on Lake George. After her husband's death in 1988 she lived for a time in Fort Edward but moved to Middlebury last June. Mabel's last offering to our class notes column was a marvelous letter on the history of the Lake George area, full of exciting detail on the notables (Montcalm, Howe, Lord Amherst, Rogers' Rangers, and large numbers of Indians) who made history there in the 18th century. Mabel is survived by a sister, Beatrice Severance Barnes, and by many nieces and nephews.

— Raymond J. Saulnier '29

1929

ESTHER RUSHLOW HALLETT, 82, of Rockland, Mass., on February 28, 1991, after a long illness. Born in St. Albans, Vt., she came to Middlebury from Burlington High School. At Middlebury she was active in the Dramatic Club. She was married in 1932 to Melvin B. Hallett, and they raised four daughters. "Rush" was for 25 years the greatly respected, actually beloved, collector of taxes in Rockland, the first woman to hold that elected post in the town in which she lived for more than 55 years. Classmates will not be surprised at Rush's popularity, nor that she was known as Rockland's "Poet Laureate." They will recall her response to the call for our 50th reunion in 1979: "I'm looking forward to when we meet; to relive memories will be a treat." She was predeceased by her husband and by a daughter, Sue Schoonover. She is survived by three daughters, Martha H. Olson, Sara H. Buntschuh, and Josephine Moore; nine grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and two nephews.

— Raymond J. Saulnier '29

1929

CARLINE E. SPARHAWK, 85, of Walpole, N.H., on February 27, 1991. She retired in 1966 after a long and distinguished career as a language teacher, at several schools, but mainly at Plainville (Conn.) High School. After retirement she made her home in Walpole, where she was born and raised. Carline prepared for her career in teaching (primarily French and Latin) at Middlebury and with graduate work at the Sorbonne, the University of Toronto, McGill University, and the College of William and Mary. In Walpole, she had served since 1971 as treasurer of the local service unit of the Salvation Army, and was prominent in a wide range of community activities, including the First Congregational Church, the Bridge Memorial Library, the Historical Society, and the Retired Teachers of Connecticut. She was also active in Middlebury's Tri-State Alumnae Club.

— Raymond J. Saulnier '29

1930

BERNICE SARGENT MACCABEE, 82, of Glastonbury, Conn., on March 3, 1991. Born in West Newton, Mass., she came to Middlebury from Greenfield (Mass.) High School. At Middlebury she was active in the Spanish and French clubs, Dramatic Club and the College choir. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, she graduated with Phi Beta Kappa honors. Pursuing a career in teaching, she spent eight years at Rutland (Vt.) High School prior to her 1940 marriage to Earle P. Maccabee. She later taught sixth grade for 21 years at Rutland's Longfellow and Lincoln elementary schools. For six years she was an organist at Rutland's Unitarian Universalist Church. A member of the Grace Congregational Church of Rutland, she also belonged to many civic organizations in the city, as well as city, state, and national retired teacher's associations. She was a member of the Ann Story Chapter of the DAR. Mrs. Maccabee, whose husband died in 1967, moved from Rutland to Glastonbury in October, 1990. She is survived by a son, Bruce Maccabee; a daughter, Pamela Maccabee; a brother, Leonard E. Sargent; three grandchildren; and two nieces.

1931

HAZEL RENO MacNARY, 82, of North Falmouth, Mass., on January 23, 1991, of heart failure. She was born in Saylesville, R.I., and prepared for college at the House in the Pines School in Norton, Mass. She spent two years at Middlebury, and was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. Married in 1929 to B. Glenn MacNary '30, they lived in Plaindome on Long Island and in Larchmont, N.Y., before moving to North Falmouth 20 years ago. Mrs. MacNary was an ardent participant in garden club activities, and was a founder of the Long Island Symphony. In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Donald R. MacNary; a sister, Laurita Callahan; and three grandchildren.

1931

MARION SIMMONS WENHAM, 81, of Rome, Ga., on August 3, 1990. A native of Pittsfield, Mass., and a graduate of its high school, she joined Alpha Xi Delta sorority at Middlebury. In college she majored in home economics, and spent a semester in The Homestead, the home ec house on Weybridge Street. She was active in the Dramatic Club, Wig and Pen, and the English Club. She also served as assistant editor of the *Campus*, played intramural sports and was a member of the WAA Council. She had happy memories of summers at Bread Loaf. For several years after graduation she worked as a private secretary in Pittsfield. She was married in 1939 to Lancelot E. Wenham. Residents of Rome, Ga., since 1953, they travelled widely in Europe, Africa and South America, and enjoyed returning to Middlebury for class reunions up to and including 1931's 50th and 55th. Both enjoyed golf, participating in local tournaments and following with great interest the leading professional tournaments. Marion is survived by her husband, Lance; a daughter, Pamela Wenham Caraway; a sister, Ruth Simmons Dinkel '28; four granddaughters; and a nephew.

— Helen Hoadley Brown '31

1932

LOUISE BRAYTON KLINE, 79, of Barrytown, N.Y., and Cliff Island, Maine, on March 18, 1991. Louise was born in Boston and entered Middlebury from Dorchester (Mass.) High School. In college she was active in dramatics, became women's editor of the *Campus* and president of the English Club. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority and graduated with Phi Beta Kappa honors. In 1933 she married Reamer Kline '32 and together for two years they ran weekly newspapers in northern Vermont and New Hampshire. During Reamer's years as an Episcopal rector they lived in Nashua, N.H., and New Britain, Conn., where Louise was active in a variety of volunteer activities. When Reamer went to Bard College as president in 1960, Louise turned her attention to renovating the buildings and upgrading the landscaping of the campus. She became active in the preservation of historical sites in the Hudson Valley and was the founder and first president of the Friends of Clermont, a historic Livingston family mansion. In 1974 she was awarded the Bard Medal, the first woman to be so honored by the college. She served on the visiting committee of the Harvard Divinity School. Beginning in 1933 Louise and Reamer spent their summers on Cliff Island where they became part of the island community. For the past several years Louise had been chairman of the book selection committee of the island library. Her husband died in 1983. She is survived by three daughters, Florence Britton, Penelope Bardel, and Marcia Sharp; a sister, Josephine Brayton; and eight grandchildren.

— Mary Williams Brackett '36

1932

RUTH HUMPHREY PERKINS, 79, of Wayland, Mass., on January 19, 1991, after a long struggle with Pict's disease, a variety of Alzheimer's. She was born in Ipswich, Mass., and was salutatorian of her high school class there. Always an excellent student of mathematics, she was one of the first women in the architectural engineering program at MIT, where she studied from 1933 to 1935. In June 1935, Ruth married Dr. Llewellyn R. Perkins, chairman of Middlebury's math department. They co-authored *Mathematics of Finance*, and Ruth wrote many educational articles on mathematics. Ruth earned her master's degree in the teaching of reading at the University of Maine in 1954, and a doctorate in mathematics education at the University of Michigan in 1967. She was supervisor of remedial reading in Hudson, N.H., Oak Bluffs and Andover, Mass. In 1961, Ruth became a Vermont state helping teacher, supervising teachers in the Northeast Kingdom for several years. She spent the rest of her career training mathematics teachers, first at the University of Connecticut, and then for 12 years at Temple University. In 1978, she retired from teaching to live with her sister, Helen St. John, in Newcastle, N.H., and to be near her daughter, Marion Perkins Harris '57, in Sudbury, Mass. She was predeceased by her husband. In addition to her daughter and sister, she is survived by a son, Dr. David L. Perkins, and four grandchildren.

— Gray and Georgiana Hulett Taylor, both '32

1933

FREDERICK B. BRYANT, 79, of Ithaca, N.Y., on January 4, 1991. Mr. Bryant was born in Malone, N.Y., the son of Federal District Court Judge Frederick H. Bryant '00 and Florence B. Bryant. He prepared for college at Franklin Academy. As an undergraduate he joined Chi Psi fraternity, and was on the *Kaleidoscope* board. After graduating from Middlebury he went to Columbia University Law School, earning his LL.B. degree in 1936. He then became associated with a law firm in New

York City, and was an assistant district attorney on the staff of Thomas E. Dewey in 1938 and 1939. He then practiced law in Malone and Ithaca, serving as senior partner in the firm of Bryant, Mazza and Williamson from 1961 to 1968. From 1947 to 1956 he was district attorney of Tompkins County, and in 1968 he was elected a justice of the New York Supreme Court, Sixth Judicial District. During his 20-year judicial career, he presided at trial terms in all counties of the Sixth District, as well as in Kings, Westchester, Monroe and New York counties. He was also designated an associate judge of the Court of Appeals in 1970. Fred was a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II, serving in the Pacific theater in 1944-45. He was active in professional and community affairs, often as president or chairman of various organizations: county bar association, Exchange Club, YMCA, Chamber of Commerce, Masons, Elks, and VFW. He was active in St. John's Episcopal Church. Among his hobbies was magic, and no class reunion was complete without a Bryant performance. He married Grace Green in 1937, and they had two children, Barbara McChesney and William N. Bryant '65, all of whom survive him, as do seven grandchildren, including Lori McChesney Sandri '83, and Christopher McChesney '93, and two great-grandchildren. His brother, Dr. Robert B. Bryant '36, died in 1986. To all his survivors we extend deep personal sympathy.

—Philip and Helen Easton Carpenter, both '33

1933

DORIS BARNARD DOLT, 79, of Wallingford, Vt., on February 22, 1991. Doris was born in Granville, N.Y., the daughter of William T. Barnard '00 and Ruby Clark Barnard. She came to Middlebury from Granville High School. At college she was active in the Dramatic Club, was on the Soph Hop Committee, and was assistant business manager of *The Campus*. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority. After graduation she taught at Sunnyside Nursery School in Saddle River, N.J. In 1936 she married Lysle Houghton '24, and they had two sons, Lee and Jonathan. In 1946, two years after her husband's death, she moved to Wallingford, and four years later she married William Dolt of Danby, Vt. Doris was active in the Rutland Garden Club, the Vermont Nature Conservancy, and the Vermont Institute of Natural Science. She served a five-year term as secretary of the Class of 1933 during the 1950's, was a member of the 50th Reunion Committee, and was active in the Tri-State Alumnae Club. She was a member of the First Congregational Church of Wallingford and Brown's Study Club of Granville. Her older sister, Ruth Barnard '31, died in 1983. In addition to her husband and sons, she is survived by a sister, Florence Barnard Rogers '40, four grandchildren, a great-grandson, a niece and two nephews. To all of them her classmates extend sincere sympathy.

—Philip and Helen Easton Carpenter, both '33

1933

VIRGINIA KENT WICKS, 79, of West Englewood, N.J., on January 19, 1991, following a brief illness. She was born in Rutland, Vt., and prepared for college at Rutland High School. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and was active in language groups and the Dramatic Club, and served as a class officer during her freshman year at Middlebury, and as a junior marshal. She married Frank Wicks in 1934 in New York City. They had three children. For the past 20 years she was a volunteer at Englewood Hospital, and she was an active member of Christ Episcopal Church. Her husband died in 1986. Survivors include two daughters, Barbara Wicks '57 and Araby Leary; a son, Frank Wicks; a sister, Helen Witherell; and three grandchildren. Other alumni survivors include her nephew, Dr. Sanford S. Witherell, Jr. '61. To all of these her classmates extend deepest sympathy.

—Philip and Helen Easton Carpenter, both '33

1935

LOUISE FULTON MAPPS, 77, of Verona, N.J., on April 8, 1991, of congestive heart failure. "Fult" or "Weezie" was born in St. George, Staten Island, N.Y. She graduated from Bloomfield (N.J.) High School and entered Middlebury in 1931. In college she majored in French and was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority. She was also active in sports, including fencing, and was class president as a senior. During World War II she was a WAVE and served as a Link Trainer instructor. In 1973 she retired as vice president of the Montclair (N.J.) Savings Bank, where she had worked since 1953. She is survived by her son, Lawrence R. Mapps, Jr.; two sisters, and many Middlebury friends. Her husband, Lawrence R. Mapps, to whom she was married in 1960, predeceased her in 1986.

—Mavis Jones Little '36

1936

FOSTER C. GREENE, 76, of West Hartford, Conn., on March 9, 1991, at Hartford Hospital, following a severe stroke. After graduating from high school in Richford, Vt., he was active at Middlebury in the Liberal Club and the German Club. He enjoyed intramural sports, was a member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity, majored in math and graduated Phi Beta Kappa. Following graduation he worked in insurance, and soon became vice president of the Employers Liability Assurance Corp. in Boston. Following this he was a vice president in Hartford with the Phoenix Insurance Co. In 1979 he retired as manager of the National Council on Compensation Insurance in Bloomfield, Conn. He was a member of a retired men's group, "The Old Guard," and played golf at the Wampanoag Country Club. Three years ago Foster wrote for the alumni magazine that he had enjoyed the insurance world, adding, "Now in retirement I enjoy the pension." Following a small stroke he could no longer play golf, but still enjoyed reading, bridge and crossword puzzles. He met his wife, Marjorie Brier, when she was hired as a new teacher in Richford by Foster's father, who was superintendent of schools there. They were married in 1939. They both enjoyed our 50th reunion. Marjorie and their three sons, Edward, Foster, Jr., and William, survive, as do five grandchildren.

—Angus M. Brooks '36

1937

HENRY F. SPINNEY, 77, of Bethlehem, Pa., on February 11, 1991. Born in New York City and raised in Litchfield, Conn., he prepared for college at the Romford School in Washington, Conn. At Middlebury he majored in economics, played football and was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity and the Mountain Club. He enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Force in 1942, and served as an intelligence officer with the 15th Air Force in Italy during World War II. After the war he worked for the Atlantic Refining Co. for five years, and was recalled to active duty during the Korean War. He then served in the Air Force until 1968, and was stationed at various times at bases around the world and throughout the U.S. He retired with the rank of lieutenant colonel. He then pursued a career in insurance, and was employed by the Middlesex Mutual Insurance in Concord, Mass., and Hanover Insurance in Worcester. He was listed in the 1979-80 edition of "Who's Who in Finance and Industry." He earned his bachelor's degree in 1959 at Utica College of Syracuse University, and later took graduate courses in psychology at Framingham (Mass.) State College. Active in many professional associations and civic organizations, he had served as secretary of the Class of 1937 for five years, and was the chairman of his 45th reunion in 1982. A third-degree Mason and a Shriner, he was a member of the Republican National Committee. He is survived by two sons, William A. Spinney and Henry F. Spinney, Jr.; a daughter, Deborah S. Bateman; and six grandchildren.

1938

ELIZABETH WARNER ENGLISH, 74, of Springdale, Ark., on November 7, 1990. She suffered a massive stroke on November 4 and never regained consciousness. Libby was born in Hood River, Ore., and moved many times with her family. She attended Columbia High School in Maplewood, N.J., and graduated from Norristown (Pa.) High School. At Middlebury, Libby was a Mountain Club enthusiast, served on Skyline, and on several Winter Carnival committees. She was active in most sports, and was a stalwart of the great '38 women's volleyball team. She was in the French Club and lived at the Chateau. "E" Barnum Gardner was her roommate for four years. All will remember Libby's zest for life, her enthusiasm and gusto. She was a sociology major. After college she attended the Philadelphia School of Occupational Therapy and worked for two years at the Norristown State Hospital. In 1942 she married T. Jackson English, Jr. They lived in Riverton, N.J., for a few years, where all three of their sons were born. During the Korean War, Jack was recalled to active duty in the U.S. Naval Reserve, so the family moved briefly to California. They returned to New Jersey for 12 years, and then spent 10 years in Minnesota. After Jack's 1977 retirement, they headed for a "warmer area," and moved to Arkansas. Libby had been very active as a hospital volunteer, in her church, her garden club, and in the AAUW. Her mother died in November 1987 at the age of 99. Just two months later, Jack died of cancer. Libby and her sister Nancy attended our 50th reunion in 1988, and drove all over the East visiting friends and relatives. Libby is survived by three sons, Temple Jackson English, III, Richard Warner English and Stephen Anderson English; seven grandchildren; and her sister.

—Virginia Fischer Ellison and Emily Barclay Jackson, both '38

1938

KENNETH G. MacLEOD, 77, of Pawley's Island, S.C., on January 25, 1991. He was born in Scituate, Mass., and prepared for college at Hyde Park (Mass.) High School and Huntington School. He attended Union College before transferring to Middlebury, where he was a football letter-winner and member of the legendary 1936 undefeated team. He also played hockey and baseball. A political science major, he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. After graduation he pursued studies in dentistry at Tufts University, and earned his D.M.D. there in 1942. A member of the U.S. Naval Reserve, he was called to active duty in the Dental Corps in 1942, and served as a lieutenant commander with a construction battalion in the South Pacific until 1946. He then opened a private practice in Hingham, Mass., where he served the community until moving to South Carolina in 1977. For the next 13 years, he was a ranger at the Litchfield Country Club on Pawley's Island, where he made his home. Dr. MacLeod taught part-time in the Department of Restorative Dentistry at Tufts from 1946 to 1970. He was a life member of the Massachusetts and American dental societies, and was licensed in South Carolina. He was a former member and past president of the Hingham Rotary Club, and was a founder and charter member of the Rotary Club in Pawley's

Island. He was the last president of the Wompatuck Club in Hingham in 1956, and helped to turn the men's social club facilities into a community and youth center. He then served as the first president of the community center. Dr. MacLeod served on the board of directors of the Hingham Cooperative Bank and was elected vice president in 1974. He was also active in the American Field Service Exchange program. He was proud of his Scottish ancestry, and proud to be a graduate of Middlebury and a member of DKE. One classmate wrote of him, "No one that I have ever known worked harder to keep himself financially afloat during those difficult years in the '30s. Golf was his passion and whenever a Vermont car appeared at his Litchfield Country Club he had a special greeting hoping to find someone with Middlebury connections." Dr. MacLeod is survived by his wife, Jean Colegrove MacLeod; three sons, Dr. Douglas K. MacLeod, David C. MacLeod '70, and G. William MacLeod; a daughter, Martha Jean MacLeod; two brothers, John S. MacLeod and Clifton T. MacLeod; and three grandchildren. Alumni survivors include his sister-in-law, Jane Drury MacLeod '46.

1940

NORMAN R. ATWOOD, 72, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., on February 23, 1991, after a brief illness. A native of St. Johnsbury, he was the son of Dr. Dale S. Atwood '13 and Glen Roundy Atwood. He prepared for Middlebury at St. Johnsbury Academy. We remember Norm from college days as a member of Chi Psi fraternity, the Choral Society and the Mountain Club. During World War II he joined the Army Air Corps and attained the rank of captain. His Middlebury English major led to a career as a professor of English. He earned his master's degree at the University of Chicago, and his doctorate at Columbia. For 19 years he taught at the University of Illinois' Chicago campus. In 1972 he returned to St. Johnsbury to join the faculty of Lyndon State College. A highly respected member of the community, he was awarded the local chamber of commerce's Community Service Award in 1982. His lifetime interest in architecture inspired many residents to appreciate the history and significance of the town's architectural landmarks. He was a member of the board of trustees of his high school alma mater, and the board of the St. Johnsbury Athenaeum. He had recently been named a Fellow of the Fairbanks Museum, in recognition of his service to the museum. His hobbies included playing the organ and painting. He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Barbara Counsell Atwood '43.

— Robert and Barbara Plumer Alden, both '40

1942

CHARLES B. GILBERT, 70, of Dorset, Vt., on February 2, 1991, following a short illness. A native of Dorset, he prepared for college at Burr and Burton Seminary in Manchester, Vt. At Middlebury he majored in political science and was a member of Sigma Alpha fraternity. He was an assistant editor of *The Campus* and was active in the Progressive League. His college years were interrupted for service in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He returned to Middlebury to complete his degree, and graduated in 1947. He later earned a master's degree in English from Washington University in St. Louis, and pursued a career as a college professor of English. In the late 1970's, he returned to Dorset, where he worked as a physical therapist and as a weaver. He is survived by his former wife, Gloria J. Gilbert; a daughter, Anne Gilbert Graham '72; two sons, Jonathan M. Gilbert and Oliver S. Gilbert; two brothers, Stuart K. Gilbert and R. Sykes Gilbert; and four grandchildren. His twin brother, William F. '42, died just three months before him.

1942

WILLIAM F. GILBERT, 70, of Dorset, Vt., on October 24, 1990. He was a native of Dorset and prepared for college at Burr and Burton Seminary. Like his twin brother, Charles B. '42, his college career was interrupted for service in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. A B-24 pilot, William flew three dozen missions over Europe, and participated in the Allied invasion of France on D-Day. He returned to Middlebury to complete his degree in 1946. After college he worked at the United Nations in New York as a writer, director and producer of radio scripts. He later moved to Cleveland with his wife, the former Ingrid Goldsmith '48, to work in the family business, the Royal Sausage and Meat Co. He was also active in the Cleveland Playhouse. He subsequently returned to Dorset, where he married the former Elizabeth Bartlett. While a resident there he taught at the Hoosac School in Hoosick, N.Y., and acted with the Dorset Players. After his divorce, he moved to Aspen, Colo., in 1975, where he founded the Aspen Academy and was involved in productions with the Wheeler Opera House. Since 1979 he had worked as a driver for the Roaring Forks Transportation Agency, and edited the agency's in-house newsletter. He returned to Dorset several months before his death. He leaves two sons, Jack Gilbert and Robert Gilbert, and two brothers, Stuart K. Gilbert and R. Sykes Gilbert. His twin brother, Charles B. '42, followed him in death by just three months.

1944

BURCHARD M. DAY, 69, of West Redding, Conn., on December 23, 1990. Mr. Day was born in Chicago, and prepared for Middlebury at the Peddie School in Hightstown, N.J. A member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, he left college after two years to enlist in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He served as a B-17 navigator during World War II, and flew in the first daylight raid on Berlin. He later became one of the 8th Air Force's lead navigators for attacks on Nazi industrial centers and V-2 rocket installations in occupied France. In April 1944, on his 25th mission, his plane was shot down. Mr. Day spent the next 13 months as a German prisoner of war before being freed by Russian troops shortly after V-E Day. He received several combat medals, including the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Purple Heart. After the war, he returned to Middlebury as editor and publisher of the *Addison Independent* newspaper. He later sold the paper and became promotion manager of *Business Week* magazine in New York City. Following a year of active duty in the Korean War he returned home in 1952 to hold advertising and marketing jobs for several firms before becoming a free-lance writer and running a writing service for advertising agencies and corporations in the New York area, Canada, and England. Mr. Day, who had lived in the Redding area for the last 15 years, was active in community affairs, coached various youth baseball teams, and was a licensed race car driver. In addition to his wife, Elisabeth Paulsen Day, he is survived by a son, Christopher; three daughters, Kathy, Wendy and Christy; two sisters, Dora Ann Taylor and Barbara Hersey; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

— David T. Stebbins '44

1947

KENNETH W. HAMMEL, 62, of Bethesda, Md., on November 30, 1990, of emphysema. A native of Hutchinson, Kan., he was a graduate of its high schoool. He was a history major at Middlebury. Shortly after graduation he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served during the Korean War. After his discharge he moved to Washington, D.C., and taught briefly before embarking on a civilian career as a film producer with the Navy. From 1956 to 1965 he worked for the Naval Photographic Center in Washington as a scriptwriter for training films. He then transferred to the Naval Air Systems Command and in 1970 to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. He was deputy director of medical audio-visual service activity at the Naval School of Health Sciences in Bethesda when he retired in 1982. An amateur printer, he specialized in hand-set metal type, and also used a home printing press to print many books for family and friends. He was an authority on the history of typography and a past president of the Washington chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts. He was also a member of the Baltimore Bibliophiles, and of the Azalea Society of America. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Barbara Harrison Hammel, and two children, Andrew and Rebecca Hammel.

1948

JOHN B. PARKER, 70, of Madison, Conn., on March 23, 1991, after a brief illness. A lifelong resident of Madison, he was a descendant of the town's earliest settlers. At Middlebury he majored in psychology and was a member of Theta Chi fraternity. Mr. Parker was office manager for the American Steel & Wire Co. division of U.S. Steel for 21 years. He was a graduate of New Haven's Stone Business College. A past president of the Guilford Agricultural Association and the Twin Coves Association, he was a former member of the Madison Exchange Club, a member of the Graduate Club and a volunteer with Madison Community Services. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor Leonard Parker, and a sister, Betty Parker.

1948

JANE D. WHAMER, 63, of Schenectady, N.Y., on December 4, 1990. A native of Schenectady, she came to Middlebury from Nott Terrace High School there. In college she majored in political science and sociology. She played basketball and volleyball, belonged to the Mountain Club, Tone, Forum, S.A.A., and was on the Winter Carnival Ticket Committee. Miss Whamer's 42-year career was in county government as a caseworker in children's services. At the time of her death she was the director of social services at the Schenectady County Dept. of Social Services. She received a master's degree in social work from the State University of New York at Albany in 1967, and was a N.Y. state certified social worker. Recognized as a community leader, Miss Whamer received the YWCA "Today's Woman Award" in 1989 for her lifetime advocacy on behalf of children and families. She was on the Mayor's Committee on Youth Guidance, and served on the boards of the Human Services Planning Council, Hispanic Outreach, Salvation Army, Schenectady Child Guidance Clinic, and the Citizen's Advisory Council for the Dept. of Social Services. She was a founding member of the Schenectady Girls Club and Soroptomist International of Schenectady, and in 1952 was chosen to be the Schenectady Community Ambassador to Mexico. She is survived by two cousins, Glen Graper '57 and William Graper '68.

— Frances Van Cleve Smith '48

1948

GLENNA SEELY WILCOX, 64, of South Glastonbury, Conn., on December 8, 1990, at Hartford (Conn.) Hospital. Born in Boston and raised in Wellesley Hills, she came to Middlebury from Wellesley High School. She majored in English and American history. A member of Delta Delta Delta sorority, she served as secretary of the Literary Club, and was a member of Forum and Interfaith. After graduation she attended the Radcliffe College Publishing Procedures Course. She married Charles Wilcox '48 in 1950, and they had lived

in South Glastonbury for the last 32 years. Glenna was a library clerk in the children's room at Welles Turner Library in Glastonbury for the last 12 years. She was a member of St. Luke's Church, the Glastonbury Square Dance Club, the Glastonbury Historical Society and the New England Historical Genealogical Society. In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Duane S. Wilcox '77; two daughters, Martha W. O'Connor and Amy D. Wilcox '83; two sisters, Virginia Bourne and Janet Boole; and three grandchildren.
— Frances Van Cleve Smith '48

1950

ROBERT E. CLEARY, 63, of Boxford, Mass., on March 16, 1991. Born in Boston and raised in Milton, Mass., Bob graduated from Milton High School in 1944 and entered Middlebury that fall with the Class of 1948. His education was interrupted by a two-year tour of duty in the U.S. Navy, during which time he served as a radarman aboard the U.S.S. Leyte. He then returned to campus to continue his studies and to graduate with the Class of 1950. Bob was a member of Chi Psi fraternity. His college activities included participation in intramural sports, Men's Assembly, Mountain Club, Winter Carnival committees and freshman class vice president. He majored in economics and enjoyed a lifetime career in finance, retiring in 1983 as vice president of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc., a firm he served with distinction for 30 years. He was a trustee of Middlebury from 1972 to 1977. Bob took great pleasure in living. He was a witty raconteur, a proud and loving husband and father, an abidingly loyal friend, and a staunch supporter of his alma mater. The Class of 1950 will miss this special friend and classmate, and sends its deepest sympathy to his family. Bob is survived by his wife of 40 years, Virginia Ringo Cleary '50; two sons, John B. Cleary '76 and Robert W. Cleary '80; two daughters, Lee Cleary Leahy '78 and Marcia R. Cleary '82; a son-in-law, Stephen Leahy '80; two daughters-in-law, Robin Spear and Martha Hawkins Cleary '82; and four grandchildren.
— Elly Flett Kingsland '50

1955

ELLEN HALLQUIST HERZOG, 57, of Milwaukee, Wisc., on May 14, 1990, of throat cancer. A native of Milwaukee, she majored in biology at Middlebury, was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority and was active in the Newman Club and Women's Forum. In 1957, Ellen became board certified as a medical technologist. She was married to Wiliam Herzog in 1956. After some years in Indiana and Iowa, Ellen, her husband and four children moved to Rochester, N.Y., in 1964. Ellen worked part-time at the Anthony Jordan Health Center. She was active in the PTA, on school boards, and participated in sorority alumnae meetings. The Class of '55 extends its deepest sympathy to her husband; her daughter, Katherine; her three sons, Mark, John, and James; and her beloved grandchildren. She was the daughter of the late Stone C. Hallquist '25.
— Judith Zecher Colton '55

1959

STANLEY J. BURDICK, 53, of Windsor, Vt., on December 16, 1990. Born in Windsor and a graduate of its high school, he majored in chemistry at Middlebury and went on to earn a master's degree at Texas Tech in organic chemistry. He did further graduate work in this field at the University of California/Davis. For eight years he worked for the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory in Silver Spring, Md., as a solid propellant rocket chemist. He then lived in Switzerland for 15 years, where he worked for an export company as technical director. He is survived by his mother, Olga Kazura Burdick, and two nieces.
— H. Pete Erbe, Jr. '59

1963

ELIZABETH DOUTY WALKER, 49, of Lorton, Va., on February 16, 1991, of cancer. She died with dignity, in a house she loved, surrounded by her family. She was buried at Arlington National Cemetery. Beth left notes for her eulogy, which included some of her thoughts on life: "I didn't want to accomplish great things. If I could help the people around me and make the place where I was a little better, a little happier, I felt satisfied. These small 'goods' add up. And if I could help someone, the favor was returned when they, in turn, helped someone else. This was the way I wanted to affect the lives of those around me. Nothing profound in and of itself, but a start in the right direction." Born in Baltimore, Md., in 1941, she graduated from Towson High School in 1959. An English major at Middlebury, she graduated cum laude and was editor-in-chief of the *Kaleidoscope* in her senior year. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority and Mortar Board. Upon graduating she married John Walker. She accompanied her husband, a U.S. Army officer, on assignments in this country, including Alaska, and in Germany. They were assigned to Washington from 1977 to 1980 and again since 1982. She had been the bookkeeper and office manager for Il Porto Restaurant in Alexandria, Va., since 1977. While at various Army posts, she was active in volunteer work with the American Red Cross and the Girl Scouts. While in Alaska, Beth developed and implemented a volunteer program called New Dimensions, which helped support and instruct young Army wives. In addition to her husband, she is survived by her son, John S. Walker IV, and her daughter, Ann L. Walker.

1968

DAVID S. CARLETON, 44, of Phoenix, Ariz., on February 8, 1991, in Flagstaff, of a heart attack while riding a lift on a skiing trip. Dave was born in Beverly, Mass., and prepared for Middlebury at Governor Dummer Academy in Byfield, Mass. Dave lived in Starr Hall as a freshman and roomed with Cliff Whall. They both sang in the Dissipated 8. Dave was a physics major and took advanced math courses. He was a brother of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. Dave received his B.S. degree with high honors from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in 1972, and earned a master of science in nuclear engineering from MIT in 1975. He served in the U.S. Navy and reached the rank of lieutenant before going to work at Northeast Utilities in Hartford, Conn., and then at Maine Yankee Atomic Power Co. in Wiscasset. Since 1985 Dave had been employed as a senior nuclear engineer by the Arizona Nuclear Power Project in the nuclear fuel management group. Dave was a life-long friend of our classmate, Jim Clyde. Jim introduced him to the girl Dave would marry in 1972, the former Patricia Ann Roberts. Jim was also the best man at Dave and Trish's wedding. Dave is also survived by two daughters, Sara Anne, born in 1977, and Julia Lindsey, born in 1979. Dave, Trish, and their daughters loved to spend time outdoors, hiking, camping, skiing, and especially sailing off the coast of Maine. While Dave did not graduate with us, he made an impact on all who knew him. He was buoyant, loved to sing and to play his guitar, was occasionally introspective, but especially was a warm friend with a ready smile. A memorial service will be held in Camden, Maine, on July 20, with a headstone to be dedicated at that time. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that memorial donations be made to the education fund for his daughters, in care of Valley National Bank, 241 North Central Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85003.
— Ben C. Gregg '68

1990

MICHAEL E. McGINN, 24, of Georgia, Vt., on March 23, 1991, of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Michael was born in St. Albans on January 3, 1967, the son of E. Michael and Joanne (Benoit) McGinn. He prepared for Middlebury at the Bellows Free Academy in St. Albans and spent a post-graduate year at the Worcester (Mass.) Academy. In his high school years he participated in varsity football, hockey and baseball, and graduated with honors. At Middlebury, he majored in political science and was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity. He played football during his freshman year, but was forced to quit due to an injury. Michael had a strong appreciation for the environment and participated in many outdoor activities at Middlebury. He was a volunteer for the Vermont Natural Resources Council in Montpelier and had been recently accepted at the University of Denver Law School, where he planned to pursue studies in environmental law. In addition to his parents, Michael is survived by his sisters, Melissa and Megan; his brother, Matthew; his grandmothers, Lucille Benoit and Gladys McGinn; and many aunts, uncles and cousins. To his entire family, the Class of 1990 extends its deepest sympathy. The Middlebury community has indeed lost a very special individual. In Michael's memory, a scholarship has been established to assist Middlebury students who seek to pursue environmental studies and would otherwise be unable to do so. Donations in Michael's memory may be sent to the Michael McGinn '90 Scholarship Fund, in care of Michael Schoenfeld '73, Forest Hall, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT 05753.
— Todd H. Wetzel '90

BEQUESTS

From the estate of **Yvonne J. Birks**, $70 for the Anna Y. Le Jolly Fund, bringing the total bequest to $3,743.28.

From the estate of **Lester Q. Stewart**, $105,000 for the Lester Q. Stewart '27 and Helen E. Stewart '27 Library Fund, bringing the total bequest to $305,000.

From the estate of **Marjorie B. Eames** '25, $130,000 for the Mr. and Mrs. William Eames and Dr. and Mrs. Vernon C. Harrington Memorial Fund, bringing the total bequest to $370,000.

From the estate of **Frances C. Smith** '24, $10,000 for the Middlebury Scholarship Fund in memory of her mother, Mrs. Herbert Smith.

From the estate of **Ruthalia Keim**, $186.25 for the Language Schools Scholarship Fund, bringing the total bequest to $17,680.17.

From the estate of **Richard T. Marlette** '52, $10,000 for Annual Giving.

From the estate of **Edward M. Reighard** '26, $88,992.15 for the Edward Reighard Scholarship Fund.

From the estate of **Charles T. Meilleur** '47, $1,000 for the Charles T. Meilleur '47 Memorial in the Alumni Endowment.

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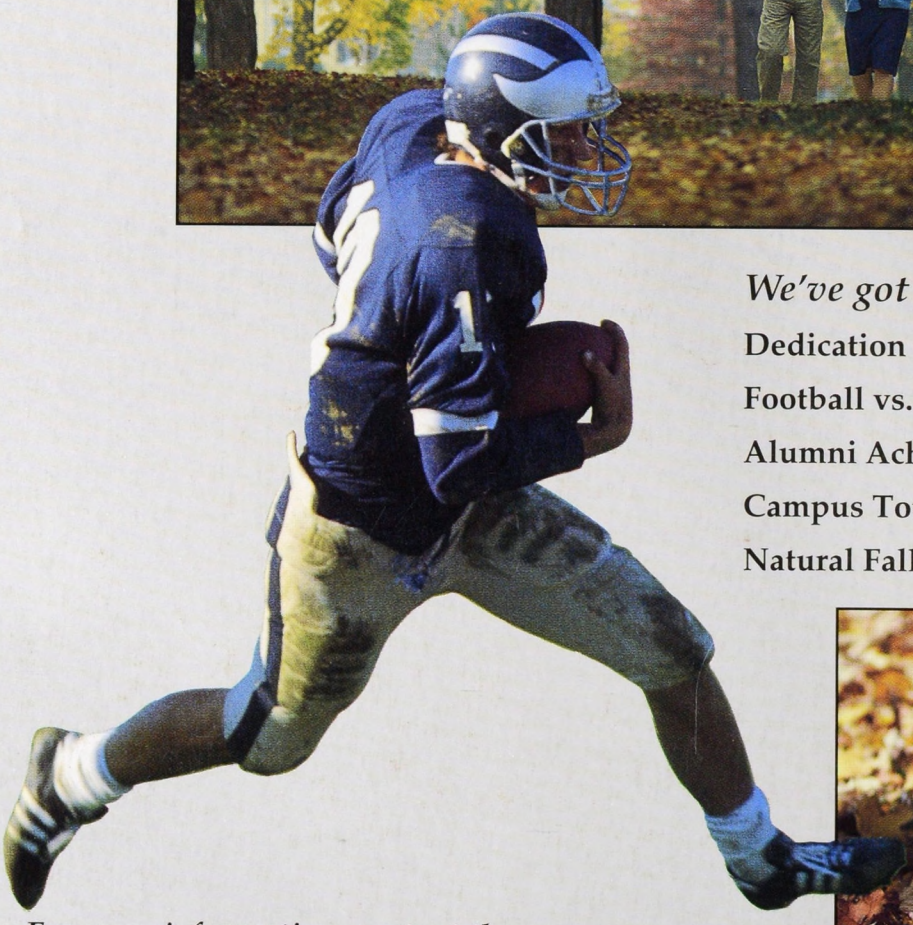

We've got lots planned for you!

Dedication of the New Football Field

Football vs. Bates • Faculty Lectures

Alumni Achievement Awards Dinner

Campus Tours • Vermont's 100% All Natural Fall Foliage • And More!

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